

FROM THE JUDGES...

Bryan Regan, Charlotte NC – Photography

It was an honor to be chosen to judge the photography/art competition at the 2021 SC State Fair. The talent entered in this year's competition was out of this world and choosing a winner was difficult. The uniqueness, originality and variety of artwork was breath taking. It was hard to tell where the amateur ended, and the professional began. The quality of work and attention to detail was impressive across all mediums. Every artist that entered should be proud on the work they produced.

Elizabeth Miller, Surfside Beach SC – Art

Thank you for this great opportunity and honor, really, to judge this year's SC State Fair art exhibit. After experiencing the amazing work that was produced across our richly diverse State, my heart is so full of pride to be a South Carolinian. What an outstanding array of creations in so many media, including painting, ceramics, photography, woodworking, metalwork, glass, paper, jewelry and more, by talented South Carolina artists, both amateur and professional. For me, what ties it all together is the passion, joy, wonder and heart that is palpable in every piece - and when it is all displayed together as one, it's like you can feel the heartbeat of our beloved east-coast State. Congratulations to the winning artists and to all who entered, because you're all amazing in your own unique ways!

PUBLIC SALES REGISTER...

Many artists offer their artwork for sale in the exhibit and some mark it NFS (not for sale). During the fair there is a "Public Sales Register" available in the Cantey Building for persons interested in purchasing artwork to record their names and contact information. The Public Sales Register is located near the front of the Cantey Building. The artwork is marked with a red dot and this information is given to the artist when the artwork is released on the Tuesday and Wednesday following close of the fair. It is up to the artist to contact the person who has expressed interest in purchasing their artwork. If there are multiple names, it is suggested the exhibitor contact first the person who inquired with the earliest date.

SC STATE FAIR FINE ART STAFF...

Craig Houston, Superintendent	Kay Paschal
Lacy Stanford	Al Brown
Maureen Carter	Elisabeth Cook
Renea Eshleman	Ashley Fleshman
Melodie Ingwersen	Dan Kelly
Jo Leete	Charles A. Mitchell
Rich Sayers	Margie Shelburg
Faye Smith	Greg Summers
Robert Thompson	Judy Mitchell
Keith Cook	Amelia Smith
Henry Foster	Bruce Thomas



2021 FINE ART EXHIBITION RESULTS

BEST OF SHOW

PROFESSIONAL \$2,000 – Joshua Knight, Little Rock – “11 Weeks”
AMATEUR \$1,000 – Heather Saputo, Lexington – “Untitled”

SC STATE FAIR PURCHASE AWARDS

PROFESSIONAL \$1,000 – Marlyn Boyd, Elgin – “Fair Memories”
AMATEUR \$500 – Ashley Fleshman, Columbia – “1937 Ford Truck”



PURCHASE AWARDS

PROFESSIONAL \$750 – Kathy Caudill, Rock Hill – “Country Road”
AMATEUR \$250 – William Fordham, Columbia – “Maple/Walnut Lidded Box”

BEST OF DIVISION – PROFESSIONAL \$600

2-D – Ron Weathers, Chapin – “Done for the Day”
3-D – Jeremy J. Butler, Columbia – “Serena: Serving a Gift to the World”
Advanced Photography – Katherine D. Perry, Columbia – “Quarantine Still Life, Vanitas”

BEST OF DIVISION – AMATEUR \$300

2-D – Loretta Smith, Lexington – “WECO”
3-D – Jim Waterbury, Columbia – “Small Urn”
Novice Photography – James A. Sanders, Columbia – “Wendeltreppe”

FAIR AWARDS – PROFESSIONAL

Premiums: 1st - \$500, 2nd - \$400, 3rd - \$300

DIVISION – 2-D

101 – Aqua Painting on Paper, Watercolor Board, or Masonite

1st – Sandy Brindle, York – “Three Sheets in the Wind”

2nd – Kathy Caudill, Rock Hill – “Polka Dots”

3rd – Genia Tyson, Winnsboro – “Still Reaching Out...For You”

102 – Digital Art

1st – Alicia Leeke, Columbia – “Gadsbud!!”

2nd – Geoffrey Harris, Lexington – “Inside Thunderdome”

3rd – Ortega Missouri, Columbia – “Crossing the River to Freedom”

103 – Drawing

1st – Jessica Raines, Lexington – “Cavalier at Sunset”

2nd – Laura Mayes Rosser, Columbia – “Day of Promise”

3rd – Laura Rohlfing, Leesville – “Bahama Llama: Party Animal”

104 – Mixed Media

1st – Forest Fortier, Lugoff – “Power of Nursing Through Prayer”

2nd – Denise Greer, Rembert– “In Your Eyes”

3rd – Karen Larrabee, Chapin – “My Sister!”

105 – Oil Painting on Canvas, Wood, or Masonite

1st – Caroline McKay, Blythewood – “Gerald”

2nd – Henry Foster, Columbia – “Bonfire”

3rd – Victoria McLain, Cheraw – “Safe at Home”

106 – Prints - Original

1st – Matt Cook, Florence – “Untitled”

2nd – Lucinda Howe, Columbia – “Until We Meet Again”

3rd – Donna Lynn Gore, Columbia – “Reflections of Serenity”

DIVISION – 3-D

201 – Ceramics & Pottery

1st – Barbara Rowe, Lugoff – “Joy Ride on Nimbus”

2nd – Judy Cox, Little Mountain – “Dragon Fly”

3rd – Pamela Kadlec, Edgefield – “Boykin Spaniel & Turkey”

202 – Open Media

1st – Flavia Lovatelli, Columbia – “Sebae”

2nd – Robert Gibbes,, Columbia – “Color Wave”

3rd – Ija Charles, Columbia – “Flower Chile”

203 – Sculpture

1st – Barbara Rowe, Lugoff – “Blue Eyed Men Totem”

2nd – Cameron Porter, Columbia – “Icosahedron

3rd – Roy Paschal, West Columbia – “Oysters”

DIVISION – ADVANCED PHOTOGRAPHY

301 – B&W or Sepia

1st – Ginny Southworth, Aiken – “Breaking Free”

2nd – Will Barnes, West Columbia – “Life of Willard – Searching”

3rd – Katherine D. Perry, Columbia – “Quarantine Mother”

302 – Color

1st – Laura Driscoll, West Columbia – “Young Blade”

2nd – Skip Willits, Cayce – “Egret Flight”

3rd – Lynne Trotter, Lexington – “Magnolia Path”

303 – Digital Photography

1st – Kimberly Case, Irmo – “Airborne”

2nd – Carlee Myers, Lexington – “Adornare”

3rd – Charles Hite, Cayce – “Cypress Trees on Lake Wateree”

MERIT AWARDS – PROFESSIONAL

Premiums: \$100

1. Ronnie Hughes, Anderson – “Potted Pansies”
2. Anne Hightower-Patterson, Leesville – “Untitled”
3. Joshua Knight, Little Rock – “Blossom”
4. Gail Cunningham, Columbia – “The Birds and the Bees”
5. Mark Conrardy, Columbia – “View from the South – Biltmore”
6. Chris Bilton, Eutawville – “Playing Frisbee”
7. Ryan Gerstemeier, Blythewood – “Untitled”
8. Noelle Brault, Columbia – “Old Fillin’ Station”
9. Jennifer Cormack, Conway – “Poiema”
10. Chris Nostrant, Columbia – “Relic”
11. Gerard Erley, Columbia – “Sylvan Dream”
12. Michael Story, Lexington – “Graceful Presence”
13. Karen Langley, Columbia – “Nurturing”
14. Janet Kozachek, Orangeburg – “Sunrise”
15. Caryl Cathou, Columbia – “The Boykin”
16. Matt Cook, Florence – “Untitled 2”
17. Lisa Bone, Lexington – “Red Raku Decorative Plate”
18. Penny Burke, Prosperity – “Wall Bouquet”
19. Lee Sipe, Columbia – “Vessel No. 391”
20. Elysse Ohiser, Irmo – “Nymph”
21. Erdal Caba, Blythewood – “Lone Tree”

FAIR AWARDS – AMATEUR

Premiums: 1st - \$250, 2nd - \$200, 3rd - \$150

DIVISION – 2-D

601 – Aqua Painting on Paper, Watercolor Board, or Masonite

1st – Ashley Fleshman, Columbia – “Borax Wagons”

2nd – Margaret Clay, Columbia – “Retta”

3rd – Peggy C. Harshaw, McConnells – “Still Standing”

602 – Digital Art

1st – Elizabeth Cooper, Lexington – “Cryptid Line-Up”

2nd – No Award Given

3rd – No Award Given

603 – Drawing

1st – Laurie Neely, Windsor – “Jeb and Joe”

2nd – Amy Garrett, Walterboro – “Self Portrait”

3rd – Price Story, Windsor – “Blue Iris”

604 – Mixed Media

1st – Bonnie Shiah, Chapin – “Untitled”

2nd – Mary Harris, Fort Mill – “Mode”

3rd – Kim Byer, Columbia – “American Cul-de-sac!”

605 – Oil Painting on Canvas, Wood, or Masonite

1st – Naomi Freedman, Columbia – “My Hideaway”

2nd – Michael Odum, Lexington – “Gentle on My Mind”

3rd – Benjamin Elam, Lexington – “Hula”

606 – Prints - Original

1st – Vernon Bowen, Columbia – “Blue”

2nd – Tyler Greenlee, West Columbia – “Through the Window”

3rd – No Award Given

DIVISION – 3-D

701 – Ceramics & Pottery

1st – Morgan McCarver, Moore – “Colonial Canteen”

2nd – Teresa Donelan, Columbia – “Rose Bud Vase”

3rd – Melanie Simons, Lexington – “Mrs. Potts & Chip All Grown Up”

702 – Open Media

1st – Belinda Marsh, West Columbia – “Untitled”

2nd – Debora K. Life, Columbia – “Untitled”

3rd – Karen Baranich, Swansea – “Untitled”

703 – Sculpture

1st – Ashley Butler, Gilbert – “The Crane 1”

2nd – David Upchurch, West Columbia – “Vintage Racer”

3rd – Victoria Whitsett, Fort Mill – “Parsnip and Jicama 1”

DIVISION – NOVICE PHOTOGRAPHY

801 – B&W or Sepia

1st – Alan Riches, Elgin – “Pathway to Budapest”

2nd – Mitchell Litwer, Greenwood – “Alone”

3rd – Laci Steele-Lybrand, Batesburg – “Unseen”

802 – Color

1st – Aaron Daines, Fort Mill – “Mount Zion”

2nd – Canaan McClester, Columbia – “Burning Soul”

3rd – Cassie McLeod, Elgin – “breathe”

803 – Digital Photography

1st – John Quinn, Columbia – “Horsehead Nebula”

2nd – Christina Woods, Columbia – “Sale”

3rd – Brian Hare, Pomaria – “Pomaria Quarry”

MERIT AWARDS - AMATEUR

Premiums: \$50

1. Angela Daniel, Columbia – “ Sconset Secret”
2. Libby Cromley, Saluda – “Marjan Shade, Croatia”
3. Margaret Edwards, Columbia – “Shining”
4. Marlayne Smith, Columbia – “Rising”
5. Kym Easter, Greenville – “Kiko”
6. Cassie Hilton, Ravenel – “Looking Up”
7. Jerry Law, Bishopville – “Yellow Roses”
8. Will Nickles, Columbia – “Ocean Creek”
9. Suzelle Cobb, Columbia – “Kayak on the Hudson”
10. Patricia Bartlett. Aiken – “Appaloosa Dream”
11. Rachel Chaplin, Columbia – “Landscape IV”
12. Anne Tomlinson, Williston – “Animal Soup”
13. David Sloan, Rock Hill – “Fishing Boat – Gulf of Haiti”
14. Diann Smith-Eastwood, Elgin – “Johns Island Sunset Dreaming”
15. Gwen Sullivan, Gilbert – “Twilight”
16. Shirley Britton, Chapin – “Play with Me!”
17. Craig Henwood, Lexington – “Cocky Football Totem Pole”
18. Dr. Linda D. Lake, West Columbia – “Freedom”
19. Scott Shrader, Blythewood – “Buzzing Around”
20. Kate Massey, Sumter – “Clinging to Hope”
21. James DiFrancesco, Chapin – “Angel”