

Juror Statement

There are many ways that an artwork can catch and hold one's attention. For me, the most fundamental thing I look for in an encounter with a work of art is that it do something to me – that it causes me to feel something or think something or see something in a new way.

In the process of jurying this exhibition, I noticed that certain images stuck in my memory because of this very fundamental interaction – they made me think or feel or see in a way that felt fresh and surprising.

Some works dazzled through technical virtuosity.

Others focused my attention with formal complexity, inventiveness and beauty.

Some impressed through ambition and intensity of labor.

A few caused me to linger to savor a particularly delicate combination of color and light.

Several landed through the force of humor and quirky personality. Others held my gaze with honest human connection.

The works in this show convey a varied and diverse world of feelings: tenderness, love, anger, awe, pensiveness, goofiness, sadness, reverence and joy. But all of them made me feel something, and I hope that they do the same for everyone who sees the show.

Thank you to all the artists who submitted work for consideration.

-Clayton Merrell

Front Image: Detail, SheScape, by Joseph Schildkamp



S. Rick Armstrong **Pay Here** Photography 26 x 34 \$375

S. Rick Armstrong Black & Proud Photography 17 x 24 \$300





Lisa Bane **Deanna** Oil 16 x 20 NFS

Sharon Boykiw **Turtle Walk** Oil on cavas 30 x 40 i NFS





Larry Brandstetter All is Good MixedMedia Collage 20 x 20 \$625



John Caringola **Higher Ground** Acrylic on gessobord 36 X 24 \$\$850.00.

Jeffrey Carroll Marilyn Monroe II Acrylic on canvas 22 x 24 \$300





Natalie Condrac **Station 17** Mixed Media Sculpture 43 x 14 x 12 \$1000

Natalie Condrac **The Arboretum** Mixed Media Sculpture 27 x 24 x 12 \$7000



Doreen Currie June Garden Oil on canvas 24 x 36 \$1200





Kenneth Cutway Sailing by the North Star Mixed Media 20 x 16

> Nancy Dalverny Strumming Away Oil on canvas 20 x 30 NFS

NFS

Janice Decker Urban Elements Watercolor 20 x 16 \$225



There are six faces of Le Roi. Six sides of his story. Maintaining the image, Keeping the glory. There are six sides of Le Roi. Leroy spoke?



Dino Deluliis **Snowboarder** 350' Uncut aluminum wire, pine 211 x 17h x 8w mobile \$600



Kathleen DePasse **The Daydream** Pencil, watercolor, chalk 11 x 14 \$200







Patricia Dickun **The Indian Camp at Bushy Run** Oil 20 x 30 \$800 Dan Droz

7 Up Powder Coated Aluminum 46.5 x 19 x 5 in. \$3900

Dan Droz Figuring It Out Crocheted Mesh 22 x 42 x 10 \$3800



Sam GentileS2 **Pale Teal** Acrylic on acid free synthetic paper 24 x 18 \$550

Ann Gravelle Last In Line Pastel 17.5 x 21.5 \$275





Mary Hadden **Dingmans Creek** Pastell 17 x 14 \$125



Gary Henzler Allen Night Vision 8 Mixed media 24 x 18 \$250 Ginger Hepler Studio Mugs (Below) Acrylic 22.5 x 8.5 \$245





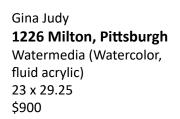
Cheryl Hopper **Fading** Freeform Crochet/Weaving/Beading 6' high, 4' wide, 6 depth \$1250

Cheryl Hopper **Evolution of Joy** Crochet/Beading 4' high, 6' wide, 6 depth \$750





Robert Huckestein **Get Canned** Oil on Canvas 16 x 20 \$1400





John Kaclik **A Long Way Home** Acrylic 18 x 24 \$225





Maura Keeney The Reign Oil on Canvas 36 x 28 \$2500



Shirleah Kelly WWII Author Oil 20 x 16 \$500

Debbie King In the Chop Watercolor 24 x 30 \$600





Lynda Kirby **That Space Between Us** Digital Illustration 10 x 26 \$125

Marcia Koynok Potters Hands 2 Oil On Panel 11 x 14 \$300





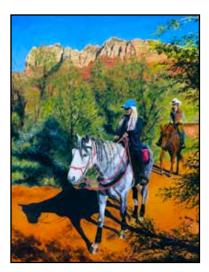
Tami Krusper Three Amigos Watercolor 11 x 15 \$100

Candace Kubinec Natural Curve Photography 16 x 13 \$135





Yelena Kukharenko **Apples** Oil on canvas 16 x 20 \$1000



Lydia Mack **Riders on Bell Rock Trail, Sedona, AZ** Oil on Cradled Board 10 x 8 \$425

Patricia Majcher **Open for Business** Watercolor 18 x 24 \$200





Brian McCall **New York Soho** Wood engraving 24 x 48 \$1250

Brian McCall Everymans' Throne Paper mache sculpture 64 x 31 x 16 \$1800





Bryan Mccormick Late again Gouache 6 x 8 \$100



Kathleen Mitchell **Collectables** Oil 16 x 20 \$400

Becky Mormack Tranquility Oil 15 x 30 \$775





James Murphy **Mission San Jose** Photograph - Digital Inkjet on Paper 16 x 20 \$275

James Murphy **Trees Above the Field** Photograph -Digital Inkjet on Paper 16 x 28 \$350





Ronald Nigro Seeker Mixedmedia 14 x 7 \$500 Adalberto Ortiz **Red Wagon** Acrylic on canvas board on wood 14.25 x 20 \$850 (below)





Adalberto Ortiz Sun Lit House Acrylic on canvas on illustration board 14 x 20 \$1700

Peg Panasiti Violets and Lace Watercolor 27 x 20 \$350





Susan Pollins **Entanglement A&B Diptych** Acrylic on canvas 20 x 40 \$550 each/\$1,000 for both

Karen Rafferty Floral Fantasy Oil 10 H x 20 W \$325





Mary Raneri It's the Time of the Season Felted wool 12 x 12 \$275

Kimberly Rentler Blackbird Singing Photography 16 x 20 \$125





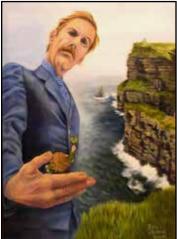
Kimberly Rentler I Walk Alone Photography 16 X 20 \$150



Elizabeth Roseborough **The Dove** Photograph 24 x 20 \$300

Nancy Rusbosin Grandma's Oil 39 x 31 \$875

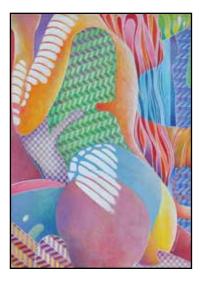




Kathy Sartoris Rafferty Finding Finnegan Oil

18 x 24 \$600

Joseph Schildkamp Meditation Acrylic 20 x 16 \$850 (above)





Erin Shrader **Come Sail Away** Photography 12 x 18 \$250

Paula Siebieda Polish Wedding Acrylic on Canvas 24 x 18 \$650



Judy Smith Fashionista Acrylic 9.5 x 9.5 \$100

David Sparks Bromeliad 2 Photography 20 x 16 \$300



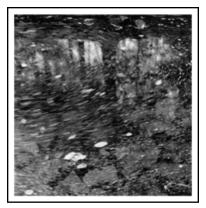


Clare Stefanini **Portrait of my Mother** Oil on board 12 x 12 NFS



(above) Richard A. Stoner **St. Vincent Lake** Gelatin Silver Print 10 x 10 \$450

Stuart Thompson Valley Trail, Acadia National Park Oil on canvas 26 x 36 \$2500



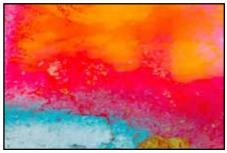
(above) Richard A. Stoner **Penn Roosevelt Gyre** Gelatin Silver Print 10 x 10 \$450





Debra Tobin Heavy Metal Acrylic on Canvas 36 x 24 \$400

James Tobin **Retna Lake** Digital on Metal 24 x 36 \$400



Deborah Walker The Therapist



Acrylic 24 x 30 \$475



Palo Duro Canyon, Outside my Tent Watercolor 12 x 12 NFS







Eileen Yeager Spring Awakening Monotype Collage 32 x 12 \$375

Gary Zak Thers no place like home Digital Archival Print on Canvas 31 x 36 \$700



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FIRST PRIZE - Aidan Niggel

SECOND PRIZE Nancy Dalverny and Shirleah Kelly In Memory of Kay Rowe

THIRD PRIZE Rosemary Sovyak In Memory of Fred Sovyak

Catherine Rosensteel Memorial Award Her Grateful Friends

AWARDS OF MERIT

Nancy Rusbosin and Becky Mormack, Peg Panasiti, Pat and Bob Majcher, Olga and Joe Herbert, Jerry Scorpion Westmoreland Arts and Heritage Festival

JUROR CLAYTON MERRELL grew up in Pittsburgh, PA, and Puerto Ordaz, Venezuela. He studied painting and printmaking at the Yale School of Art, where he earned an MFA in 1995. He was awarded a Fulbright Grant for research and creative work in Oaxaca, Mexico in 1996-97. His work is exhibited widely, with recent exhibitions at: Slow Gallery, Chicago; the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum, Washington DC; Concept Gallery, Pittsburgh PA; the A+D Gallery, Chicago; the Westmoreland Museum of Art, and the Chautauqua Institution, Chautauqua NY. His work is in the collections of the American Embassy in Belmopan, Belize, the Smithsonian Museum, the Anderson Museum of Contemporary Art, the U.S. Department of the Interior, and numerous private and corporate collections. He was the 2005 Artist of the Year at The Pittsburgh Center for the Arts, and in 2016 was named Creator-of-the-Year by the Pittsburgh Technology Council. He has received awards and fellowships from MASS MoCA. the Heinz Foundation, the Virginia Center for the Creative Arts, Skowhegan, The Millay Colony for the Arts, the Blue Mountain Center, the Vermont Studio Center, ProArts, Artists Image Resource, and the Center for the Arts in Society. During 2004-05 he was a fellow at the Roswell Artist-In-Residence Foundation in Roswell, New Mexico. In 2015, the Pittsburgh International Airport completed construction of a 69,000 square foot terrazzo floor based on his design. He is currently the Dorothy L. Stubnitz Professor of Art at Carnegie Mellon University



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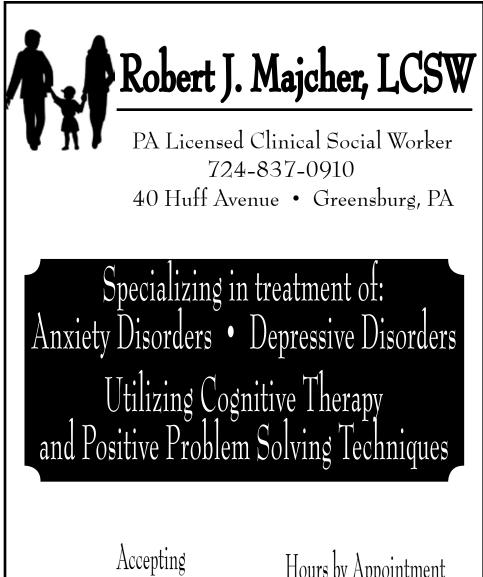
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