

Media Release

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The Hardy Gallery Announces Award Winners for the 62nd Annual Wall-to-Wall Juried Exhibit

Ephraim, WI – June 8, 2024 – The Hardy Gallery is delighted to reveal the award winners of the 62nd Annual Wall-to-Wall Juried Exhibit. From a pool of 188 submissions by artists from the Peninsula and Midwest region, five exceptional artists have been honored with financial merit awards, recognizing their outstanding contributions. The awards include the First Place Award (Francis Hardy Legacy Award), Second Place Award, Third Place Award, the Julia Van Roo Bresnahan Artistic Achievement Award, and the People’s Choice Award. Additionally, three artists received Honorable Mention Awards for their exemplary work.

The winners are as follows:

- First Place Award (Francis Hardy Legacy Award) \$500: Debra Davis-Crabbe, *“Skipping Along”*
- Second Place Award \$400: Chelsea Littman, *“Can’t Touch This”*
- Third Place Award \$300: Bonnie Connolly, *“Lena’s Leaves”*
- Julia Van Roo Bresnahan Artistic Achievement Award \$200: Beth Gullickson, *“Pavement Shadows”*
- People’s Choice Award \$150: Lisa Dukowitz, *“Old Growth Owl”*

Honorable Mention Awards were granted to:

- Chris Vuco, *“Stars of my Print World”*
- Frances Holt, *“La Palette”*
- George Ouimette, *“Providence”*

For 2024, the jurying process was led by Shan Bryan-Hanson, a renowned local contemporary painter, curator, and professor of art. Despite the challenging nature of the task, Shan confidently selected artworks that exemplified exceptional originality, skill, and aesthetic quality.

The 62nd Annual Juried Exhibit will be on display until Sunday, July 7, concluding at 3 p.m. A Juror Talk is scheduled at the gallery on Friday, June 14, from 2 to 3 p.m. This event is free and open to the public. For more information on upcoming events, please visit The Hardy Gallery’s website at www.thehardy.org.

Admission to the gallery is free. The Hardy Gallery is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Sundays from 12 to 5 p.m. It is located in the heart of Ephraim’s historic district on Anderson Dock (3083 Anderson Lane). For more information, call 920-854-2210 or visit www.thehardy.org.

About the Hardy Gallery

The Francis Hardy Center for the Arts, Inc. is a non-profit organization working to support the visual arts and artists of Door County, providing non-commercial exhibition space to local and regional artists of all ages and abilities who may or may not have outside gallery representation. The organization operates the iconic Hardy Gallery located in Ephraim’s historic graffiti covered Anderson warehouse.

1st Place Award (\$500)
(Francis Hardy Legacy Award)
Debra Davis-Crabbe
"Skipping Along"
Acrylic #175



2nd Place Award (\$400)
Chelsea Littman
"Can't Touch This"
Glass #183



3rd Place Award (\$300)
Bonnie Connolly
"Lena's Leaves"
Fiber, Art Quilt #48



Julia Van Roo Bresnahan
Artistic Achievement Award
(\$200)
Beth Gullickson
"Pavement Shadows"
Mixed Media #155



Honorable Mention Award
Chris Vuco
"Stars of my Print World"
Botanical Printing Book #57



Honorable Mention Award
Frances Holt
"La Palette"
Photography #130



Honorable Mention Award
George Ouimette
"Providence"
Ceramic and Wood #16



People's Choice Award (\$150)
Lisa Dukowitz
"Old Growth Owl"
Mixed Media on Birch Bark #9

