



33rd Annual Senior Citizens Art Show Winners **Announced – Gallia County**

The artwork of local seniors was recently showcased at the Area Agency on Aging District 7's (AAA7) 33rd Annual Senior Citizens Art Show and Essay/Poetry Contest that was held at the Esther Allen Greer Museum, located on the campus of the University of Rio Grande in Rio Grande, Ohio.

This year, a total of 193 art pieces were entered in the Contest with 48 essays/poems. Special Awards were presented: "Victor Potts Best of Show Award" in the Amateur Category went to Alice M. Smith of Adams County for her watercolor, "Pink Magnolia"; "Victor Potts Best of Show Award" in the Professional Category went to Pat Thompson of Adams County for her pencil, "Conference on the Mound"; the "Mary Peck Friend of Animals Award" went to Rita Haley of Gallia County for her acrylic, "Baby Squirrel with His Mother"; People's Choice Award went to Sharon Brown of Jackson County for her acrylic, "Adams County Barn"; Best Overall Essay went to Norma E. Graf of Scioto County for "Josie's Rose"; and Best Overall Poem went to Jeri Ingles of Gallia County for "Your Life is a Book".

Ohio residents age 55 or older were eligible to participate in the Art Show and Essay/Poetry Contest. Winners announced from Gallia County included:

Mary Peck "Friend of Animals" Award – "Baby Squirrel with His Mother" by Rita Haley

Best Overall Poem – "Your Life is a Book" by Jeri Ingles

1st Place Acrylic/Animals and Birds – "Baby Squirrel with His Mother" by Rita Haley

4th Place Acrylic/Animals and Birds – "Whoops!" by Rita Haley

3rd Place Acrylic/Landscape – "Sunset Swamp" by Rita Haley

1st Place Mixed Media/Seascape – "Day and Night" by Pat Parsons

2nd Place Oil/Animals and Birds – "Autumn Sparrow" by Lynda Dunlap

3rd Place Oil/Animals and Birds – "Lone Wolf" by Sandra Lane

1st Place Oil/Floral – "Iris in Springtime" by Ann Day

3rd Place Oil/Landscape – "Grandad's Home!" by Lynda Dunlap

1st Place Oil/Portraits – "The Golden Years" by Ann Day

2nd Place Oil/Still Life – "Let it Snow" by Ann Day

3rd Place Oil/Still Life – "Granny's Things" by Sally Roberts

1st Place Pencil/Animals and Birds – "Fantastic Flight" by Danny Carter

1st Place Pencil/Landscape – "Farm Memories" by Danny Carter

1st Place Photography/Animals and Birds – "Boss of the Hen House" by Suzanne Wise

2nd Place Photography/Animals and Birds – "Meal Delivery" by Jeri Ingles

4th Place Photography/Animals and Birds – “Getting My Wings” by Jeri Ingles
 1st Place Photography/Animals and Birds (Professional Category) – Elk Autumn Rut Yellowstone by David M. Hayes
 1st Place Photography/Landscape – “Afternoon Glow” by Mary Lee Marchi
 3rd Place Photography/Landscape – “Eureka Dam” by Suzanne Wise
 4th Place Photography/Landscape – “Country Bridge” by Cheryl Enyart
 5th Place Photography/Landscape – “Home on the Pond” by Suzanne Wise
 6th Place Photography/Landscape – “The Valley from the Hill” by Mary Lee Marchi
 1st Place Photography/Landscape (Professional Category) – “Heaven’s Peak by David M. Hayes
 1st Place Photography/Portraits (Professional Category) – “Manito” by David M. Hayes
 3rd Place Photography/Still Life – “Company Store” by Anita Gail Belville
 1st Place Photography/Other- “Reflections” by Cheryl Enyart
 3rd Place Other/Fiber Arts – “Pineapple Doily” by Pat Dillon
 1st Place Other/Three-Dimensional Arts – “Turtle Swimming” by Pat Parsons
 4th Place Other/Three-Dimensional Arts – “Wind Spinner” by James J. Anderson
 1st Place Essay/Gallia County – “The Dream” by David M. Hayes
 2nd Place Essay/Gallia County – “Our Spot” by Cheryl Enyart
 3rd Place Essay/Gallia County – “Ten Thousand Days” by Rita Haley
 4th Place Essay/Gallia County – “A Tribute to My Mother” by Anita Gail Belville
 1st Place Poem/Gallia County – “Your Life is a Book” by Jeri Ingles
 2nd Place Poem/Gallia County – “These Colors” by James J. Anderson
 3rd Place Poem/Gallia County – “My Mother’s Hands” by Anita Gail Belville
 4th Place Poem/Gallia County – “Oscar Odd McIntyre” by Charles Murray
 5th Place Poem/Gallia County – “Our Heavenly Home” by Joan Unroe

To learn more about next year’s Art Show, which is typically held in May/June of each year, please call 1-800-582-7277.

Your local Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc. provides services on a non-discriminatory basis. These services are available to help older adults and those with disabilities live safely and independently in their own homes through services paid for by Medicare, Medicaid, other federal and state resources, as well as private pay. The AAA7’s Resource Center is also available to anyone in the community looking for information or assistance with long-term care options. Available Monday through Friday from 8:00 am until 4:30 pm, the Resource Center is a valuable contact for learning more about options and what programs and services are available for assistance.

Those interested in learning more can call toll-free at 1-800-582-7277 (TTY: 711). Here, individuals can speak directly with a nurse or social worker who will assist them with information surrounding the programs and services that are available to best serve their needs. The Agency also offers an in-home assessment at no cost for those who are interested in learning more. Information is also available on www.aaa7.org, or the Agency can be contacted through e-mail at info@aaa7.org. The Agency also has a Facebook page located at www.facebook.com/AreaAgencyOnAgingDistrict7.

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Attending the "Meet the Artists Tea" to conclude the Area Agency on Aging District 7's 33rd Annual Art Show and Essay/Poetry Contest from Gallia County were, front row, left to right, Ann Day, Gail Belville, Peggy McCory, Rita Haley, Joan Unroe and Cheryl Enyart. Second row, left to right, Sandra Lane, Jeri Ingles, Carol Carter and Danny Carter. Third row, left to right, James Anderson, Sally Roberts and Pat Parsons. Back row, left to right, David Hayes and Charles Murray.



Rita Haley of Gallia County was the winner of the 2015 Mary Peck "Friend of Animals" Award. She is pictured here with her winning art piece, an acrylic, "Baby Squirrel and His Mother."



Jeri Ingles of Gallia County was the winner of the 2015 Best Overall Poem. She is pictured here with her winning writing, "Your Life is a Book."