

ARTISTS OF THE GORGE

44th ANNUAL EXHIBITION

October 7 - 31, 2022
Stevenson Community Library

Faith Hinkson, Juror
Ana Rugani, Juror
Kristie Strasen, Juror



Tina Morris Goat Skull #7 • Sculpture • \$5,000 • 1st Place

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Artist's Statement How do we deal with what remains?
Goat Rocks #7 is part of a series created in response to that question.
Goat Skull with crystals grown into the bone; black no. 3; seven rocks; steel.

Juror's Statement Tina Morris, *Goat Skull #7*, received first place for her stunning mixed media sculpture. Her unique approach to working with and manipulating the natural world is refined and captivating. By catalyzing a crystalline structure to grow in its own striking way on a goat's skull, she imbued an awe and deference for nature's forms. Her work is evocative, exploring the difference between life and death, animate and inanimate, somber, and joyous. The finished piece is thoughtfully displayed, incorporating the landscape of our area. Tina's work struck a powerful chord. With extraordinary skill, patience, and restraint, she let her artistic medium speak for itself.



Eli Lewis Chickadee Diner • Oil • \$1,100 • 2nd Place

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Artist's Statement Chickadee Diner is one interpretation of the overall theme I have adopted in my art. My art lives where humanity and nature overlap. The interest for me is the evolution of the two behaviors. Chickadee Diner exhibits the absurd contrast of a seemingly small cute creature observed as mostly harmless, into a towering behemoth. My work often serves as a cautionary advisory to humans that no matter how small nature is not to be underestimated. This piece takes that idea to a more fantastic setting in comparison to most of my work as in most instances I try to set the scene in a more believable circumstance. The static pose of the chickadee allows the viewer to imagine what happens next. It then becomes a supernatural choose your own adventure.

Juror's Statement Eli Lewis, *Chickadee Diner*, received second place for his humorous, intriguing, and well executed oil painting. There is an amusing play with perspective and juxtaposition. Is the chickadee of Godzilla proportion? Is the diner for mice? Who begets whom? His work brings out a smile, a leaning in, and a need for closer examination. And, upon that closer look, the viewer leans back in admiration of a splendidly rendered work of art. Eli delighted us with his wit and meticulous brushwork.



Kevin Walsh Chinle 1 • Oil • \$250 • 3rd Place

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Artist's Statement I spent 5 years practicing medicine in Chinle, AZ with the Dine people (Navajo Reservation). The high desert red rock country saturated my eye and my being. I met and married my ex-wife and we had our first two daughters there. The land is foundational to our life as a family. This piece is filled with that spirit and was the first of 13 pieces in the Chinle series. My focus in that series was on line, edge and texture with a limited palette.

Juror's Statement Kevin Walsh, *Chinle 1*, received third place for his abstract work that embodies the dynamic forces of push and pull, tension and release, light and dark, in a quietly impactful way. Each of the jurors was drawn to his painting for the way it brought a distinctive energy into the room. While this work was inspired by the high desert red rock of Arizona, it also gives allusions of the columnar basalt of the Columbia River Gorge. Kevin brought a subtlety to line and form that engaged each of the jurors.



Daiva Bergman Harris **A Master in the Subconscious** • Fiber • \$875 • **Honorable Mention**

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Artist's Statement Working primarily as an artist in the fiber arts, I love working with wool and making my own felt. Using my educational and professional background in textile design, I love to cut the felted piece, manipulate it and reapply it to a surface, transforming it in some way.

Such was my intent when creating this piece. However, as I looked it over, trying to decide my next move, something appeared- totally unintended- but something I could not ignore. There was a sense of movement in the colors and shapes that reminded me of a work by one of my favorite artists!

It felt like serendipity! Every time I went to alter the felt in some way, something held me back. Instead of reworking the felted piece, I decided to let it stand on its own merits.

May the viewer discover the reference of the Master in my subconscious.....

Juror's Statement Daiva Bergman Harris, *A Master in the Subconscious*, received honorable mention for her painterly approach to feltwork. The eye skips and swirls, drawing in and out, yet held fast within the borders of the design. This is the mark of a successful composition, and something not often seen in an abstract felted rendering. Daiva brings a unique handling of her artistic medium that is refreshing. She has taken the ancient process of felting and elevated it to a viable art form in a modern context.

The following exhibited works are sorted alphabetically by artist:

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Solitude ▪ Acrylic ▪ \$1,200

Penny Berglund

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At the Falls ▪ Ceramic ▪ \$200

Eva Cobb

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Mistical Ferry House - Ebey's Landing ▪ Photography ▪ \$250

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From the Ashes ▪ Acrylic ▪ \$250

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A Master in the Subconscious ▪ Fiber ▪ \$875 ▪ **Honorable Mention**

Laurel Bushman

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Running Against the Wind ▪ Acrylic ▪ \$1,500

Antony Clarke

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No 22 Burano: The Lace Maker ▪ Oil ▪ NFS

Rosemary Foggia

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il Mio Papa ▪ Oil ▪ NFS

Larae Givens

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Home ▪ Oil ▪ \$450

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High Summer Catherine Creek ▪ Watercolor ▪ \$325

Margie Hidalgo La Cosecha • Oil • NFS
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Lori Hunter Mt. Adams Vineyard • Watercolor • Prints Available
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Cindy Ives Pretty in Pink • Alcohol Ink • NFS
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Beth Johnson When Thread Meets Paper • Mixed • \$100
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Kathy Larson Eagle in Ponderosa • Photography • \$225
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Eli Lewis Chickadee Diner • Oil • \$1,100 • 2nd Place
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Kaye Masco A Dog's Best Friend • Watercolor • \$75
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Abigail Merikel Animaclitos de Espirita • Etching • \$275
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Tina Morris Pelican Skull #1 • Sculpture • \$2,000
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Goat Skull #7 • Sculpture • \$5,000 • 1st Place

Ashley Nelson Summer at Timberline • Watercolor • \$450
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Dawn Nielson

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Serious Grey ▪ Encaustic Wax ▪ \$3,800

Helen Paulus

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After the Fire, Underwood 7-2-23 ▪ Photography ▪ \$60

Dennis Peterson

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Javier Finds a Truth ▪ Oil ▪ \$850

Maria Reid

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Kathleen's Garden ▪ Acrylic ▪ NFS

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Taking Flight ▪ Bronze ▪ NFS

Abigail Roth

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Aspen Meadow ▪ Acrylic ▪ \$750

Karen Sanderson

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Cottonwood Canyon ▪ Watercolor ▪ NFS

Jen Smith

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Queen of the High Country ▪ Charcoal/Pastel ▪ \$3,700

Kevin Walsh

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Chinle 1 ▪ Oil ▪ \$250 ▪ **3rd Place**

Beverley Winther

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Tuna Chase ▪ Mixed ▪ \$400

Bruce Zick

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Gorge Tower ▪ Watercolor ▪ \$1,500