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34th juried open exhibition

Juror: **Rachel Cook**

On View: May 1 - June 3, 2017

Opening Reception: Wednesday, May 10, 6:00 - 8:00 pm
Awards Presentation: 7:00 pm

Spring Street Studios, 2nd Floor
1824 Spring Street, Houston, TX 77007

Exhibition by the Numbers

Submitted

Artists: 145
Artworks: 528

Exhibited

Artists: 36 (25%)
Artworks: 50 (10%)

VAA congratulates all those who submitted their work to be considered for this exhibition.

**SPRING
STREET
STUDIOS**

VAA owes great thanks to Spring Street Studios for providing the location for this exhibition.

All work must remain for the duration of the exhibit.

Visual Arts Alliance Mission Statement

Visual Arts Alliance (VAA) is an educational organization for serious practitioners of the visual arts and interested members of the general public. Founded in Houston, TX in 1981, VAA is a volunteer-run, 501(c)3, non-profit organization. VAA produces professionally juried art exhibitions providing opportunities for members and non-members to have their work professionally judged and viewed by the general public. VAA also organizes educational programs including studio, gallery and museum tours in addition to presentations of art-related resources. Recreational programs provide creative and supportive events beneficial to artists.

Benefits for Artists

- Opportunity to enter 4 juried exhibits per year
- Interaction with curators, galleries, etc.
- Interaction with artists in all visual media
- Learn how to produce an exhibit
- Learn how to promote art activities
- Free webpage
- Free, members-only workshops

Benefits for Artists and Non-Artists

- Free educational programs such as artist talks, studio visits, museum and gallery tours
- Ability to purchase exhibited artwork with no commission fees
- Greater exposure to the Houston arts community
- Ability to promote art-related news on our FaceBook page

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Curator: DiverseWorks

It was a great privilege to serve on this year's jury for the 34th Visual Arts Alliance Open Exhibition. Thank you to Matt Adams, Erik Hagen, and all the other VAA volunteers for facilitating a smooth jury process. A big thanks to all the artists for submitting their work, it was such a joy to look at everything and see what is being created in Houston right now!

As with any jurying process you are making choices to include certain works over others. My choices reflect some of my own artistic and curatorial interests at the moment. I was drawn to particular mediums, as well as various personal subject matters that I saw being addressed. There were certain identity-based topics being presented that I was intrigued by and other uses of materials and imagery that I found compelling. With each of the works, what I was most drawn to was the impetus to create something through visual materials.

As a kid I took classes at Glassell School of Art and I always loved going to class to learn how to make things every day from ceramic objects, collage, and paint. This process of discovery was so critical to my training as an artist and creative thinker. In our current political climate where the value of the arts is being questioned serving on juries such as these renews my sense of hope and reminds me how much creativity is being explored in each city and community. It is this adventurous spirit of creativity that I love interacting with every day and that makes my job as a curator so fulfilling.

I hope you enjoy the works selected as much as I did, and I hope the selected artists, audience members, and the entire Visual Arts Alliance membership continues to foster this exploration of creativity and wonder that is so crucial in our city.

Thank you,
Rachel Cook
Curator DiverseWorks

34th Juried Open Exhibition Winners



1st Place - \$1,200 award

William Reed

If Wishes Were Fishes No. 2



2nd Place - \$1,000 award

Stephanie Paine

Hip Hop Dancer and Rapper, 13-Years Old



3rd Place - \$800 award

Penelope Ross

Grasp

Honorable Mentions- \$100 award each

Betty-Ann Brose- *A Dangerous Beauty*

Sarah Bielski - *First and Ten; Do It Again*

Cameron Alexander - *Identity*

Artist Talks

**Artist Talks 2pm - 4pm
Spring Street Studios (2nd floor)**

May 13th

Matt Adams
Cameron Alexander
J.M.M. Barkovich
Daniel Brents
Betty-Ann Brose
Angela Corson
Shi Dong
Karen Ferrer
Lisa Goodrich
Cedric Ingram

May 20th

Tracey Meyer
Alexandra Nemeth
Laszlo Perlaky
Cynthia Reid
Cameron Sands
Marlo Saucedo
Barbara Shaw
Sally Terrell Smith
Lyn Sullivan
Kemberly Warren
Dee Zunker

Upcoming Exhibitions

**12th juried
invitational
exhibition**

Silos at Sawyer Yards
Opening: August 8

**35th juried
membership
exhibition**

Spring Street Studios
Opening: November 8

Matt Adams
Houston, Texas
Matt@MattAdams.com



Bologna I
Rubbing on rice paper
35" x 26"
Not For Sale

Matt Adams
Houston, Texas
Matt@MattAdams.com



Venice
Rubbing on rice paper
41" x 33"
Not For Sale

Forrest Aderholt
Dallas, Texas
aderholt@gmail.com



Physically Ethereal
Mixed media and oil on canvas
60" x 72"
\$1,450

Cameron Alexander
Houston, Texas
emptyflash@gmail.com



Identity
Film photograph
8" x 11"
\$100

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Cameron Alexander

Houston, Texas
emptyflash@gmail.com

Limbo

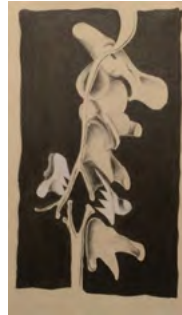
Digital photograph
17" x 14"
\$200

**J. M. M. Barkovich**

Houston, Texas
jmmbarovich@gmail.com

Abrupt Disconnect

Graphite on Arches
18" x 12"
\$600

**Sarah Bielski**

Statesboro, Georgia
sbielski@georgiasouthern.edu

First and Ten; Do It Again

Oil on canvas
24" x 35"
Not For Sale

**N. Blanca**

Houston, Texas
cado1936@aol.com

Growing

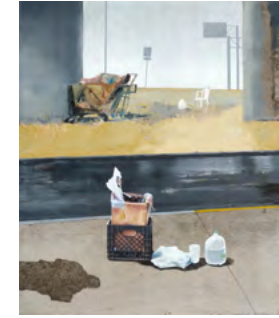
Ceramic, Gold Leaf
7" x 12" x 9"
\$250

**Daniel Brents**

Houston, Texas
drbrents@comcast.net

Outpost

Oil on Canvas
36" x 30"
\$2,200

**Daniel Brents**

Houston, Texas
drbrents@comcast.net

Levitating Chair - Alcatraz

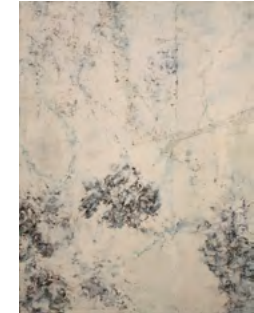
Oil on Canvas
40" x 30"
\$2,700

**Betty-Ann Brose**

Houston, Texas
bettyannbrose@gmail.com

Echo 3

Oil on Canvas
18" x 24"
\$840

**Betty-Ann Brose**

Houston, Texas
bettyannbrose@gmail.com

A Dangerous Beauty

Oil on Canvas
36" x 48"
\$1,680



Emily Burgess

Houston, Texas
 burgesse@hbu.edu

Shine Thy Light

Scratchboard
 8.5" x 11"
 Not For Sale



Emily Burgess

Houston, Texas
 burgesse@hbu.edu

Purity

Ink on panel
 9" x 12"
 Not For Sale



Angela Corson

Kingwood, Texas
 angelscorona@gmail.com

Together

Ceramic
 40" x 65" x 2"
 \$2,000



Angela Corson

Kingwood, Texas
 angelscorona@gmail.com

Untitled

Ceramic
 10" x 15" x 14"
 \$500



Shi Dong

Rocklin, California
 cieldong@yahoo.com

White Flowers

Oil on Wood Panel
 20" x 16"
 \$800



Karen Ferrer

Arlington, Texas
 tkferrer@sbcglobal.net

Glissandi (in purple)

Acrylic on canvas
 38" x 22"
 \$800



William Gerrish

Houston, Texas
 william@williamgerrish.com

Recollections

Altered Found Objects
 16" x 6" x 6"
 Not For Sale



William Gerrish

Houston, Texas
 william@williamgerrish.com

2450 KG

Found Objects
 8" x 8"
 \$475



William Gerrish

Houston, Texas
william@williamgerrish.com

Queen of Hearts

Collage & Image Transfer
4" x 4"
\$375



Lisa Goodrich

Houston, Texas
lisa.goodrich@gmail.com

You Cannot Possibly Know—A Tritych
tryptic, paint panels, acrylic, paper,
image transfer
12" x 30"
\$500



Erik Hagen

Houston, Texas
erik.r.hagen@gmail.com

Fossils We Leave Behind: Flute Key
Mixed media
11" x 5"
\$100



Erik Hagen

Houston, Texas
erik.r.hagen@gmail.com

Fossils We Leave Behind: Jewelry
Mixed media
12" x 3.5"
\$100



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Cedric Ingram

Richmond, Texas
ciworksart@gmail.com

Lies in Empty Skies

Oil Pastel
33" x 30"
\$2,400



Cedric Ingram

Richmond, Texas
ciworksart@gmail.com

Makings of Jewel

Oil Pastel
23" x 33"
\$1,800



Steve Knight

Baytown, Texas
steveknightphoto@gmail.com

Bay Tabernacle Once
Photograph-Inkjet Print
18" x 24"
\$320



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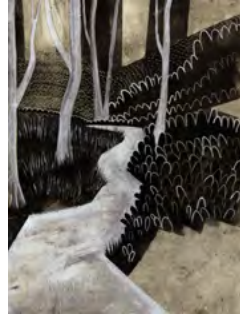
Happy, Texas
Photograph-Inkjet Print
20" x 16"
\$285



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Katherine Makowsky
 Waco, Texas
 katherinemakowsky@gmail.com

In a Dark Wood Wandering
 Gouache on monotype
 12" x 9"
 \$300



Tracey Meyer
 Deepcut, United Kingdom
 traceymeyerart@hotmail.com

Crush 6 (Yellow Star)
 Sculpture, repurposed object
 8" x 9" x 8"
 \$750



Alexandra Nemeth
 Houston, Texas
 Lexike@comcast.net

Santa Fe Winter
 Color Photograph, Chromogenic Pigment
 Print
 16" x 20"
 \$350



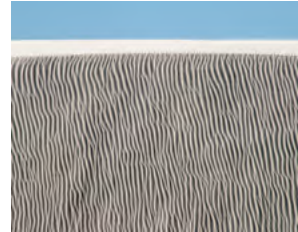
Stephanie Paine
 Lafayette, Louisiana
 stephanielpaine@gmail.com

Hip Hop Dancer and Rapper, 13-years old
 Photography
 24" x 40"
 \$300



Laszlo Perlaky
 Houston, Texas
 Naturalperl@comcast.net

White Sand Fall
 Color Photograph, chromogenic pigment
 print
 16" x 20"
 \$350



William Reed
 Houston, Texas
 breed77056@gmail.com

Stalin and the Sturgeon
 Acrylic on canvas
 36" x 36"
 Not For Sale



William Reed
 Houston, Texas
 breed77056@gmail.com

If Wishes Were Fishes No. 2
 Acrylic on canvas
 20" x 24"
 Not For Sale

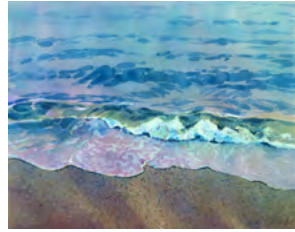


Cynthia Reid

Willis, Texas
 cynreid17@gmail.com

Sunset Beach

Watercolor
 22" x 26"
 \$600



Penelope Ross

Houston, Texas
 pcwross@gmail.com

Grasp

Acrylic on canvas, pantyhose, wire, nails,
 tacks
 36" x 24"
 \$750

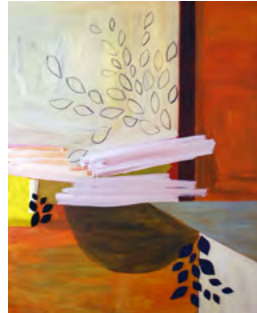


Cameron Sands

Houston, Texas
 caméronsands@yahoo.com

Outside In The Window

Oil, enamel, felt on canvas
 48" x 60"
 \$1,500

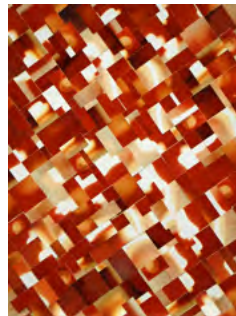


Cameron Sands

Houston, Texas
 caméronsands@yahoo.com

Circus Room Collage

Photography collage from video stills
 22" x 17"
 \$800



Marlo Saucedo

Spring, Texas
 marlo.saucedo@outlook.com

Martin Luther King, Jr.

Mixed media on canvas
 16" x 16"
 \$395

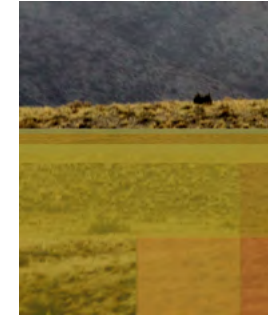


Barbara Shaw

Houston, Texas
 barbarashaw5@aol.com

Abundance

Photography of mixed media
 20" x 16"
 \$443



Sally Terrell Smith

Houston, Texas
 ssmith6850@gmail.com

Japanese Garden Peace

Pastel
 25" x 19"
 \$395



Sally Stubbs

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Scent of Yesterday

PhotoSculpture
 12" x 12" x 3.5"
 Not For Sale



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Lyn Sullivan

Houston, Texas
Lyn@LynSullivan.com

Hidden Light #3

Photography
24" x 24"
\$500



Kemberly Warren

Houston, Texas
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Luella

Mixed Media/Found Objects
48" x 30" x 5"
Not For Sale



Kemberly Warren

Houston, Texas
kwarren@warrensiurek.com

Grace

Mixed Media/Found Objects
48" x 36" x 5"
Not For Sale



Robert Williamson

Houston, Texas
rwilliamson@hfflp.com

Drive By

Oil on canvass
40" x 40"
\$2,500



Sally Worthington

Houston, Texas
worthington75@gmail.com

Tsunami

Monoprint, Collage
13" x 16"
\$350



Dee Zunker

Houston, Texas
dee@deezunkerphotography.com

Pennzoil Place 1

Digital Photography
16" x 20"
\$300

