

38 juried membership exhibition

Juror: Lester Marks

Mayor's Ambassador to the Arts, Houston

April 4 – April 30, 2022

Sabine Street Studios 1907 Sabine Street, Houston, TX 77007

Opening Reception: April 13, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. Awards Presentation at 7:00 p.m.

I'm honored to have had the opportunity to juror the 38th VAA Member exhibition. As the Mayor's Ambassador to the Arts and a voracious art collector, I spend every day looking at art from all over the world.

The submissions for this show were strong, and I was delighted by the array of wonderful works entered. This delight, also, however, posed a challenge for me; I could only select so many pieces. My approach to jurying this show was to ask myself: Would I want this piece to be part of my collection? After an initial review and selection of works, I realized that criteria was not stringent enough—I had selected too many works to fit within the exhibition space.

In my second round of review, I refined my selections to favor including one piece from more artists rather than multiple pieces from a single artist. From there, I relied heavily on my five tenants of collecting good art:

- Art that is able to turn the simple into the sublime
- Art that is able to turn the ordinary into the extraordinary
- Art that is able to transform the weird into the wonderful
- Art that speaks to social justice
- Art, that through the sheer use of color, is able to produce a visceral experience

All in all, 73 works from 69 artists were juried into the exhibition. This was a highly competitive show to jury and I would like to congratulate ALL the artists who entered.

At the time of this writing, I have yet to select the awarded works, but by the time you read this, I will have made my decisions. I anticipate the award decisions will be equally difficult—if not more so—than selecting the works for the show, so I want to engage with the art in the best form possible: up close and in person.

Thanks again, to Matt Adams, the volunteers from the Visual Arts Alliance, and again, to all the wonderful creatives who did what they do best, they created!



Sincerely, Lester Marks



Chris Alexander chrisalex1138@hotmail.com

Spring Thaw Glass 11" x 14" x 6"

\$820



Chris Alexander chrisalex1138@hotmail.com

Memento Mori Glass 19" x 22" x 3"

NFS



Erika Alonso

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Hot Springs Watercolor and ink on paper 22" x 15"

\$850



Erika Alonso

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Shipwreck Acrylic and charcoal on wood 36" x 36"

\$3,000



Wood Anthony woodfanthony@gmail.com

Siblings Oil on canvas 30" x 40"

\$7,500



Robin Baker Robinbakerart@gmail.com

I Would Like, If I May, Take You On A Journey Acrylic and oil 30" x 40" x 1.5"

\$8,000



John Bishop john@buburuzaproductions.com

Mixed Media on Canvas 36" x 24"

\$1,000

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Roger Boak roger.boak@gmail.com

Eating Inside Monoprint with watercolor on paper 14" x 18"



Kelly Best Bourgeois kellybbourg@gmail.com

Cypress Cathedral Oil 36" x 48"

\$2,750



Daniel Brents drbrents@comcast.net

In the Vessel Photograph on Dibond 18" x 24"

\$350



Brenda Bunten-Schloesser brenda.schloesser@gmail.com

Lost Bridge
Graphite and dyed cotton on rag
paper
30" x 22"

\$3,200



Marie Casamayor-Harvey casamayor@att.net

Cities in Dust Mixed Media on Paper 10" x 8"



Grayson Chandler gchandler94@gmail.com

Anemone Watercolor on paper 29.5" x 22"

\$2,600



Julie Chapa juliechapaphotography@gmail. com

Pensive in Peach Photography 20" x 26"

\$400



Terry Crump terry.lee.crump@gmail.com

Blue Heron Acrylic on Wood 30" x 30"

\$900



Margaret Curlet mbrc28@msn.com

Ravine - Arboretum Tempura on Paper 23" x 23"



Dianne Curtis dcurtis339@att.net

The New Environment Mixed media 15" x 12" x 3"

\$300



Alix Dunn alixdunn@earthlink.net

Foot Soldier Mixed media 24" x 18"

NFS



William Dunn wtdunn@aol.com

Brayden at 4 Oil on canvas 20" x 16"

NFS



Melody E Lockelocke_melody@yahoo.com

Purple Lilies Lumen Print from Lilies and Tulle 20" x 16"



Jaymes Earl jaymesearl2014@gmail.com

Opulence IX
Digital Print on Canvas
30" x 40" x 2"

\$699



Karen Eisele k2eisele@hotmail.com

Untitled Egg tempera, 24k gold leaf on board 9" x 7"

NFS



Deborah Ellingtondellingtonartstudio@gmail.com

Deep Life Forms Kiln Formed Glass 18" x 18"

\$900



Tatiana EscallonTatiana@tatianaescallon.com

Just Like That_1 Acrylic/Oil on paper 19.25" x 27.5"



Diane Gelman dianegelmanart@gmail.com

Pop'n Gum
Acrylic on canvas with collage
(styrofoam)
30" x 24"

\$2,500



Margit Gergely margitgergely@yahoo.com

Fulminare
Watercolor, ink, colored pencil on paper
24" x 30"

\$550



William Gerrish

william@williamgerrish.com

You Can't Take It With You Found objects construct assemblage 14" x 14" x 14"

\$750



Denise Giordano giostudio 108@gmail.com

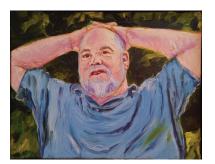
*Mirella*Soot on Gesso Board
16" x 12"



Terri Golas terrigolas@hotmail.com

Willie's Last Stand Photograph 25" x 25" x 1"

\$425



Sarah Hazel scmhazel@gmail.com

Martin Oil on linen 14" x 18"

\$504



Michael Horvath

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T.N.S. Tyler II Found Objects 15" x 11" x 4"

\$800



Chris Hughbanks chris@hughbanksdesign.com

Wolf In My Dreams Acrylic on Paper

12" x 9"



Denise Elliott Jones denise@deniseelliottjones.com

*In The Spirit*Acrylic on canvas
24" x 20"

\$900



Julia Koivumaa julia@juliakoivumaa.com

Flight Behavior Ink & Resin 48" x 48" x 1.5"

\$2,400



Julia Koutroulis julia@juliakoutroulis.com

Listen to the Music Oil on canvas 24" x 24"

\$865



Julia Koutroulis julia@juliakoutroulis.com

In My Father's Hands Oil on canvas 36" x 24"

\$1,080



Karuna Leach karuna225@yahoo.com

Beneath the Surface Mixed media on wooden panel 48" x 36" x 2"

\$2,600



Rachelle LeBlanc studio@rachelleleblanc.com

Taking Flight
Hand-hooked surface tapestry
48" x 44" x 0.5"

NFS



Rona Lesser ronalesser@gmail.com

*Memory*Watercolor and pencil
18" x 22"

\$325



Ronny Loyd RonLoydArt@gmail.com

Long Coat Patina Ceramics 18" x 8" x 6"



Ruhee Maknojia ruheemaknojia@gmail.com

American from a South Asian-American Perspective Ink on Paper 24" x 17"

NFS



Caroline Marcos

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Homage to D Hood Mixed Media acrylic and collage on Canvas 22" x 28"

\$450



Ken Mazzu

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San Jacinto #4
Oil on canvas
30" x 40" x 2"

\$2,500



Julia McLaurin

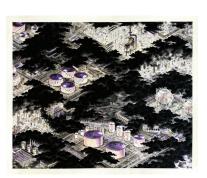
juliaprus@yahoo.com

Venus is Tired Digital Collage 28" x 30"

\$1,400







Tracey Meyer traceymeyerart@hotmail.com

What Shapes Us - 11 Stiffened and Painted Rag Paper on Board 12" x 12" x 2"

\$375

Bogdan Mihai bogdan@buburuzaproductions. com

Sparta Sculptural Photography/Mixed Media 31" x 25"

\$2,200

Mai Minoura

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Eternal Walking
Colored Pencils, Charcoal on Paper
14" x 17"

NFS



Hiep Nguyen nguyenhiep@hotmail.com

A Deserted Alley
Watercolor on paper
21" x 14"

\$1,500



Clark Nunn clarknunn8408@gmail.com

Knowing Acrylic 36" x 48"

NFS



Keddy Ann Outlaw keddyannoutlaw@gmail.com

Earth Rise Collage 12" x 12"

\$350



Anthony Pabillano anthonypabillano@gmail.com

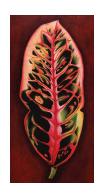
Traumatic Remembrance
Graphite and hand-cut, layered
paper
32" x 40"

\$1,500



Donna Perkins donnaeperkins@att.net

Change in the Weather Watercolor, pen on watercolor paper 9" x 12"









Silvia PintoSouza artist@sps-art.com

Kaleidoscope Acrylic Paint & Mixed Media on Canvas 24" x 14" x 1"

\$450

Ellen H Ray ehray.art@gmail.com

Earth Memory Acrylic, pastel, plaster, jute fabric 48" x 36"

\$1,900

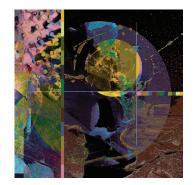
William Reed w.reed@wcreed.com

The Kid Acrylic on canvas 36" x 30"

\$1,300

A. M. Schaer schaer@artgeekgal.com

Bear 1 Pit fired clay 9" x 9" x 7"



Presly Schoenemann presly@preslys.com

Wearing Night Googles At High Noon Photo Collage 30" x 30"

\$1,500



Cindy Shung cindy@cindyshung.com

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Photography, inkjet print
24" x 18"

NFS



John Slaby john_slaby@yahoo.com

Bound
Oil on Canvas
38" x 22"

NFS



Candis Smith candis66@att.net

Newspaper Oil on canvas 24" x 30" x 3"



Candis Smith candis66@att.net

Diner Serve Oil on canvas 36" x 48" x 3"

\$695



Ann Stoudenmire asdesign@asdesign.org

MinnesotaAfterFloyd Painting Acrylic 20" x 30"

\$1,100



Robert L Straight rstraight594@yahoo.com

Quilted plate Fused glass and wood 14" x 14" x 6"

\$295



Linda Sullivan

lynsullivan2@gmail.com

Wall of Emotion Photography, Digital 36" x 36"

\$1,000



Gwen Syzdek gwen.syzdek@emerson.com

Rocky Creek Acrylic 12" x 12" x 1/2"

\$325



Barbara Tennant barbaratennant@att.net

Suburban Garden Collage, Acrylic & Ink on wood panel 24" x 24"

\$650



Chris Turner

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The River of Dreams
Acrylic on canvas
40" x 60"

\$7,500



Cecilia Villanueva ceciliavillanueva16@gmail.com

Scaffolding
Oil on wood
25" x 17"



Nancy Viola nancyviola50@gmail.com

The Chase
Oil on canvas
30" x 60"

\$1,200



Jodi Walsh jodiartmaker@gmail.com

Oritatami Nendo: Folding Clay Ceramic, Stainless Steel Thread 48" x 10" x 4"

\$2,400



Nancy Wood

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Sunset Swim
Digital photo collage on dibond aluminum
16" x 20"

1st Place

Blue Heron, Terry Crump

2nd Place

Sunset Swim, Nancy Wood

3rd Place

Shipwreck, Erika Alonso

Honorable Mentions

Anemone, Grayson Chandler

Bound, John Slaby

Listen to the Music, Julia Koutroulis

Wall of Emotion, Linda Sullivan

Bear 1, A.M. Schaer

Taking Flight, Rachelle LeBlanc

EXHIBITION BY THE NUMBERS

99 artists entered 69 artists accepted

342
artworks
submitted

artworks selected

Welcome to VAA's first in-person exhibition since 2020. After producing three virtual exhibits during the pandemic, we are back in Sabine Street Studios for the 38th Juried Membership Exhibition. Since our founding in 1981, this will be our 88th (37 open, 38 membership and 13 invitational) professionally juried exhibit. Thanks to all of the volunteers who made this exhibition possible.

Each artwork will include the artist's contact information and all sales inquiries should be directed to them. VAA takes no commission on sales.



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 an all 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. We welcome everyone and their life experiences. Art is universal, and VAA is for all.

BENEFITS FOR ARTISTS

- · Opportunity to enter juried exhibits
- · 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, Facebook, and Twitter presence
- Free, members-only workshops, and social mixers

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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Third Monday Critique Night



Every 3rd Monday 6pm at Archway Gallery

VAA critiques are opportunities for artists to share their work with other artists. These are peer critiques in which everyone is invited to show work and discuss the work of others. You don't have to bring work in order to show up. Details at VisualArtsAlliance.org.

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