



ART IN THE COUNTY
30th ANNUAL JURIED SHOW & SALE

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County Event Marks 30th Anniversary With New Awards

June 22, 2023 (Picton, ON) – The 30th Annual Art in the County Organizing Committee is pleased to announce the 2023 award winners, which represent a wide range of media and subject matter. Awards have a total cash value of \$5,000 thanks to the support of local businesses (complete list available at artinthecounty.com).

Presented by the Prince Edward County Arts Council, Art in the County brings together the largest number of artworks by local artists. The exhibit is open to members of the Prince Edward County Arts Council who are residents or ratepayers of Prince Edward County. Qualifying artists were invited to enter up to two original works of art in any media.

Since 1993, Art in the County has grown in scope and stature to become Eastern Ontario's premier juried art exhibition, showcasing a diverse range of quality works of art by Prince Edward County artists and artisans.

"We are very fortunate to live in a vibrant creative community," says Committee Co-chair Christophe Dousot, "and I am thrilled and grateful to be involved in such a special event that plays a key role in the promotion of so many local artists. This year's show is definitely a must-see for all art-lovers."

The three jurors, who were solely responsible for jurying this year's exhibition, selected **112 works** of art by **86 artists**.

2023 Jurors:

- **Lisa Creskey**, Ceramist (Chelsea, Quebec)
- **Chung-Im Kim**, Textile Artist (Cookstown)
- **Rick Rivet**, Painter (Belleville)

The jurors were also responsible for selecting 5 Jurors' Choice Awards and 5 Honourable Mentions, and assisted with the selection of the Maison Depoivre Award, Carson Arthur Award, and the inaugural Akasha Art Projects Award winners.

Honourable Mentions

Artist	Artwork Title	Medium
Stew Jones	NIGHT WALK (Silver Lake)	Oil on Canvas
Paul Verrall	Mother Bear	Caribbean Blue Soapstone
Graham Keenan	Coquette	Photography
William Greaves	Siblings	Glazed Stoneware
Eva Ennist	A Sure Instinct #1	Encaustic & Mixed Media

Jurors' Choice Award Winners

Artist	Artwork Title	Medium
Josh Connell	Silence	Charcoal
Pierre Bouchard	Slab 8	Fused Glass
Graham Keenan	Inner Sanctum	Photography
Candice Woodard	Across the Meadow, Waking Creatures Stir	Pastel
Pamela Mayhew	Kelp in the Bay	Oil on Board

Maison Depoivre Award

Artist	Artwork Title	Medium
Krista Dalby	Thunder	Mixed Media

Akasha Art Projects Award

Artist	Artwork Title	Medium
Graham Keenan	Inner Sanctum	Photography

Carson Arthur Award

Artist	Artwork Title	Medium
Colleen Green	Approaching Lavender	Encaustic

Oeno Gallery Award of Excellence

Artist	Artwork Title	Medium
Josh Connell	Untitled	Charcoal

Open Daily from June 23 - July 3 at the Lecture Hall, Base31

The 30th edition of Art in the County opens in-person on **June 23** at the Lecture Hall at Base31. Open daily from 10-6pm (until 9pm on Saturdays, until 5pm on Sundays), the show closes at 2pm on July 2. All works are for sale. The public can also view an online version of the exhibition on Art in the County's homepage.

For more information about Art in the County, visit: www.artinthecounty.com, call the Prince Edward County Arts Council at (613) 476-8767 or e-mail: artinthecounty@countyarts.ca.