



"Escape from Reality" Art Show Winners Red Cliff Gallery

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The Southern Utah Art Guild is proud to present its "Escape from Reality" art show that will run from June 10 through July 28 in the Red Cliff Gallery.

The show features 171 works of art from 72 Southern Utah Artists. The show consists of contemporary art from all mediums including all forms of painting and mixed media, photography, pottery, and sculpture.

The show is open from 9 AM to 5 PM, Monday through Friday and Saturdays from 12 Noon to 4 PM. Gallery Assistant hours are Tues through Saturday 12 Noon to 4 PM.

The Red Cliff Gallery is located in the St. George City Commons Building, 220 N 200 E, in St. George.

The "Escape from Reality" art show award winners are:

Best of Show – Teri McHale for Fractured II – Textile
First Place Painting – Julie Samuelson for "The Integration of Red" – Acrylic
Second Place Painting – Bonnie David for "Under the Sea" – Acrylic
Third Place Painting – Margo Swena for "Beyond Our Knowledge" – Acrylic
Painting Honorable Mention – Ken Lima for "Just Imagine" – Acrylic
Painting Honorable Mention – Emily Martinez for "Come for the Coffee" – Acrylic
Painting Honorable Mention – McKenzie Adams for "Fields" – Acrylic
Painting Honorable Mention – Audrey Taylor for "Joy Embodied" – Acrylic
First Place Photography – Shirley Smith for "Moki Steps"
Second Place Photography – Charles Kessner for "Weight"
Third Place Photography – Jo Ann Merrill for "Just Scream"
Photography Honorable Mention – Craig Stocks for "Witch Head"
Photography Honorable Mention – Debbie Bice for "No Return"
First Place 3D – Bryan Thompson for "Rabbit Hole" – Wood
Second Place 3D – Eddi Malloy for "Contemplation" – Mixed
Third Place 3D – David DeWitt for "The Seed" – Stone
3D Honorable Mention – Harold Tanner for "Where is It" – Mixed
3D Honorable Mention – Bill Vincent for "Vortex" – Wood
People's Choice Award from the previous show – Kimberly Jackson for "Color of St. George"

The artists judging the show were Van Mangus and Dennis Martinez.

Van Mangus works at Dixie State University in the Art Department. He teaches classes ranging from introductory art courses to artistic website creation and electronic portfolios. His forms of media include watercolor, pastel, and any type of sculpture. He specializes in those mediums as well. He loves teaching and assisting students toward their art goals and leading them toward a career in contributing to the art world.

Dennis Martinez has been teaching drawing and contemporary painting at Dixie State University for over 26 years. He is also a painter, sculptor, and installation artist. His creative work is featured in collections across the U.S., Great Britain, and France. He earned a bachelor's degree in art and archaeology from Princeton University, a master's degree in art history from the University of New Mexico, and a creative arts degree from Colorado University.

The Southern Utah Art Guild is an organization whose mission is to promote the visual arts and artists in Southern Utah. Go to www.southernutahartguild.com to find out more about the activities of the Southern Utah Art Guild.

The Southern Utah Art Guild's Red Cliff Gallery show schedule can be found at www.redcliffgallerysuag.com. You can purchase artwork at the Red Cliff Gallery or at our [online store](#). The Southern Utah Art Guild also operates the Arrowhead Gallery in the Electric Theater Center, located at 68 E Tabernacle in St. George.

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