

2019 WINNERS ANNOUNCED FOR THE DIRECTOR'S CREATIVITY SHOWCASE

Debuting in 1979, the Director's Creativity Showcase has become a favorite with consumers, families, and staff. The annual art contest is an opportunity for individuals served by the Missouri Department of Mental Health (DMH) to display their creative talents. The artwork is created not only for the Showcase, but is sometimes used as a means of therapy. This therapy provides an outlet for the artist to express his or her feelings – feelings they may not be able to verbally communicate. The Showcase has encouraged many individuals to try something they may previously have never considered possible, only to find they have a true creative talent.

All entries are judged in one of the following categories: Mental Illness (MI), Developmental Disabilities (DD), Substance Use Disorders (SUD), Professional (Best of Show) and Photography. Cash awards are provided for each of the categories. In addition, opportunities are provided for the artist to sell their artwork.

Listed below are the award winners, by category:

MI (Mental Illness)

Placement	Artwork Title	Provider Organization	Provider Organization's City
1st	Chipmunk	New Horizons Center	Jefferson City
2nd	Leopard on a Limb	SORTS	Farmington
3rd	Autumn	New Frontiers	Kansas City
4th	Jewelry Box	SORTS	Farmington
5th	Raging Bull	SORTS	Farmington

DD (Developmental Disabilities)

Placement	Artwork Title	Provider Organization	Provider Organization's City
1st	Beauty Around the Bend	Abilities First	Springfield
2nd	The Owl	Easterseals Midwest	St. Louis
3rd	Rita the Fox & 3 Kits	Unknown	Loose Creek
4th	Melted Crayon Art	Unlimited Opportunities	Boonville
5th	Stitched Owl	Easterseals Midwest	Kansas City

SUD (Substance Use Disorders)

Placement	Artwork Title	Provider Organization	Provider Organization's City
1st	Me	Preferred Family Healthcare	Kansas City
2nd	Tiers of Society	Truman Medical Center	Kansas City
3rd	Awakening	Preferred Family Healthcare	St. Charles
4th	Freestyle	NW Missouri Psy. Rehab. Center	St. Joseph
5th	No Place Like Home	FCC Behavioral Health	Hayti

PROFESSIONAL

Placement	Artwork Title	Provider Organization	Provider Organization's City
Best of Show	Ancestral Reflections	Fulton State Hospital	Fulton

Photography

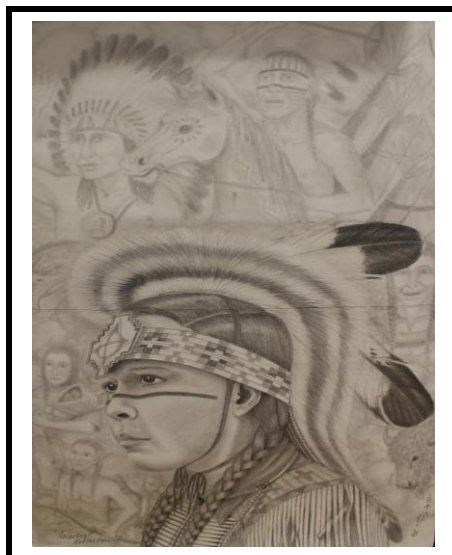
Placement	Artwork Title	Provider Organization	Provider Organization's City
1st	Not Charlotte's Web	BJC Behavioral Health	Bridgeton
2nd	Dragonfly Magic	Kansas City Regional Office	Kansas City
3rd	He's Watching You	Abilities First	Springfield

CATEGORY: PROFESSIONAL

PUBLIC EDUCATION & AWARENESS:

Several art pieces will be selected for the annual *Traveling Showcase*, which is an opportunity for the general public to view the art display. The artwork will be exhibited at multiple venues across Missouri between August and December. The Showcase helps to acquaint the general public with the talents and abilities of individuals living with mental illnesses, developmental disabilities, and in recovery for substance use disorders.

Best of Show: *Ancestral Reflections*



CATEGORY: MENTAL ILLNESS (MI)

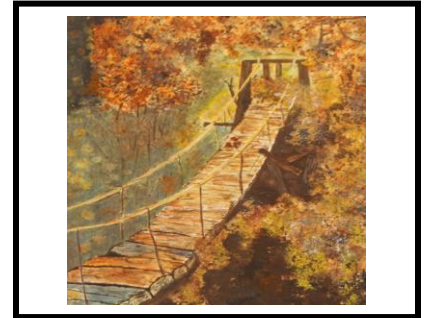
1st Place: *Chipmunk*



2nd Place: *Leopard on a Limb*



3rd Place: *Autumn*



4th Place: *Jewelry Box*

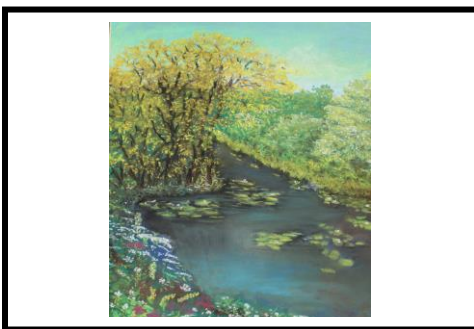


5th Place: *Raging Bull*



CATEGORY: DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES (DD)

1st Place: *Beauty Around the Bend*



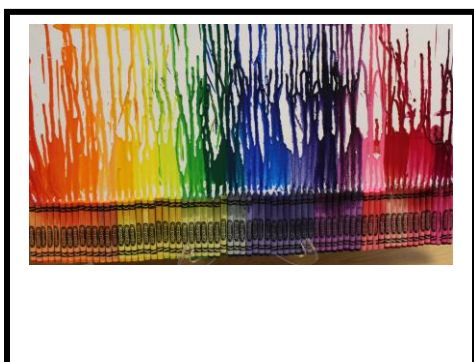
2nd Place: *The Owl*



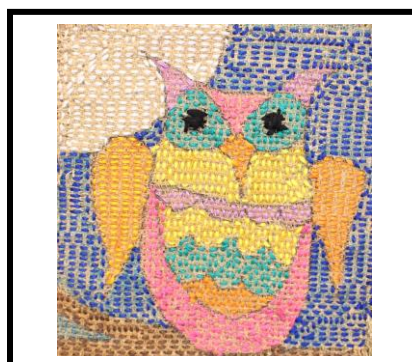
3rd Place: *Rita the Fox & 3 Kits*



4th Place: *Melted Crayon Art*



5th Place: *Stitched Owl*



CATEGORY: SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS (SUD)

1st Place: *Me*



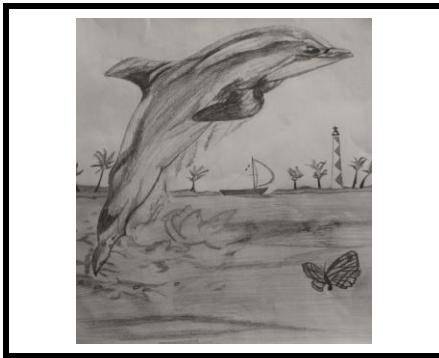
2nd Place: *Tiers of Society*



3rd Place: *Awakening*



4th Place: *Freestyle*



5th Place: *No Place Like Home*



CATEGORY: PHOTOGRAPHY

1st Place: *Not Charlotte's Web*



2nd Place: *Dragonfly Magic*



3rd Place: *He's Watching You*

