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SUBJECT: JCA 30th ANNUAL JURIED EXHIBITION AND AWARDS

Jasper Community Arts is pleased to announce its **30th ANNUAL JURIED ART EXHIBITION** at the Thyen-Clark Cultural Center. The show runs from September 7 – November 19, 2023. The exhibit includes a wide variety of media and techniques: watercolor, oil, acrylic, prints, photography, collage, sculpture, ceramics, and graphite. The exhibit consists of two and three-dimensional work. Only artists from Indiana, its contiguous states or former residents could apply.

First Thursday Opening Reception and Awards will be held in the gallery from 5:00 – 7:00pm on Thursday, September 7th, 2023.

\$2,000 in prize monies will be awarded in the categories of **BEST OF SHOW, AWARD OF EXCELLENCE, HIGH HONOR AWARD** and five **HONORABLE MENTIONS**.

Juror - Fernando Lozano was born in Mexico City and lived there until moving to California at 17 years of age. He attributes his desire to be an artist to the influences of the muralist movement created by Diego Rivera, Jose Clemente Orozco, and David Alfaro Siqueiros.

As an artist, Fernando has always tried to be faithful to his passion. Day by day, he draws from the injustices, conflicts, and tragedies in life that define the Art he is compelled to explore and produce. Art has recorded all aspects throughout human history. His goal is to add to this amazing pictorial collection documenting profound events he has experienced in his lifetime.

Fernando Lozano's art transcends genre. His paintings, prose, and graphic designs are united through his choice device of layered messaging. Lozano's work has been exhibited in Mexico City; Los Angeles; Vincennes, Indiana; Jasper, Indiana; Indianapolis, Indiana; and the Fort Wayne Museum of Art. He currently resides in Vincennes, Indiana.

Artists selected by the Juror for the exhibit are:

From Indiana

Adam Wagner – Jasper, IN; Alana Goepfrich – Jasper, IN; Allen Salhoff – Santa Claus, IN; Ann Burns – English, IN; Ann Kissel – Jasper, IN; Bob Zasadny – Oakland City, IN; Carolyn Roth – Evansville, IN; Clare Backer Bies – Jasper, IN; Curt R. Uebelhor – Ferdinand, IN; Deborah Hutchinson-Hagedorn – Wheatland, IN; Eric Harmon – Paoli, IN; James Binkley – Jasper, IN; Katherine Watts – Evansville, IN; Kazhia Kolb – Saint Meinrad, IN; Kit Miracle – Birdseye, IN; Leah Diekhoff – Huntingburg, IN; Lori Nicholas – Loogootee, IN; Melissa Potts – Montgomery, IN; Michelle Parker – Doolittle Mills, IN; Paige Small – Jasper, IN; Romy Kissel – Jasper, IN; Simon Sanders – Jasper, IN; Sue Tarrant – Santa Claus, IN ; Wade Bell – Milltown, IN

From Kentucky

Carl Berges – Hanson, KY; David Hamilton – Owensboro, KY; Gweneth Dunleavy – Louisville, KY; Holly Oglesbee – Bowling Green, KY

From Illinois

Beth Shadur – Highland Park, IL; Genesis Campbell – Francisville, IL

The galleries at the Thyen-Clark Cultural Center, located at 100 3rd Avenue, Suite A, Jasper, IN 47546, are open to the public Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, Saturday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, and Sunday from noon to 3:00 pm. School groups, clubs and students are welcome. Admission is free. Donations appreciated.

For more information, please call 812-482-3070. Jasper Community Arts is a department of the City of Jasper. JCA is supported in part by Friends of the Arts, Inc., the Indiana Arts Commission, The Arts Council of Southwestern Indiana, and the National Endowment for the Arts.

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