



“ARTISTS & POETS” – APRIL 2018

We wish to extend our congratulations to the winners, listed below, of the 2018 "Artists & Poets" exhibition. The judge commented, "It is always such a pleasure and an honor to be asked to judge the outstanding work coming out of the artists of the Mesquite Fine Arts Center. This exhibition is always one of my favorites. So many artists have embraced these lovely poems in an amazing variety of techniques and styles. Thank you for the opportunity!"

Winners:

Best in Show: "Blooming Star" – Susan Wakefield
Interpreting the poem *Haiku* by Lin Vernon Floyd

First Place: "Heart Felt" – Janet Trobough
Interpreting the poem *In My Heart* by Barbara Anne Dunn

Second Place: "There is Still Life in the Old Cottonwoods" – Jean Battaglia
Interpreting the poem *Old Cottonwoods* by Lin Vernon Floyd

Third Place: "Standing Out" – Barbara Cagianese
Interpreting the poem *The Bluest of Jays* by Denis Feehan

Honorable Mentions:

"Valley Snow" – Art Kasper
Interpreting the poem *Colorado* by Barbara Anne Dunn

"Flash Dance" – Susan McPherson
Interpreting the poem *Summer Surprise* by Lin Vernon Floyd

"Storm Prancers" – Jenny Riddick
Interpreting the poem *Horses of the Storm* by Barbara Anne Dunn

"Forever Love" – Eva Zirbel
Interpreting the poem *Soulmates* by Barbara Anne Dunn

Sponsor's Choice: "Comfortable in My Own Skin" – Cheryl Sachse
Interpreting the poem *Who's in the Mirror* by Harlo Birkholz

AND "Rising Sun in Snow Canyon" – Jan Hansen
Interpreting the poem *El Sol* by Mallory Martinez

People's Choice: "There is Still Life in the Old Cottonwoods" – Jean Battaglia
Interpreting the poem *Old Cottonwoods* by Lin Vernon Floyd