



2010 Spring Award Winners Announced

Tempe, AZ – March 28, 2010: The jury for the 2010 Spring Tempe Festival of the Arts selected 17 best of category winners and one best of show winner at the Spring Tempe Festival of the Arts, March 26 – 28 in downtown Tempe’s Mill Avenue District. Winners claimed cash prizes and awards certificates to display on their booths. Artists hailed from 32 states and Canada.

Awards judges included Helen Nosova, assistant curator of fashion/costuming at the Phoenix Art Museum; Joan Byrd, a photographer and 2-dimensional mixed-media artist; Kat Magerkurth, an art historian and Madison School District art program manager; and Kim Buchheit, an artist and design studio owner.

Awards were based on three criteria: the quality and skill of the artisan’s work, the excellence of his/her merchandising and presentation, and the ability of the artisan to actively engage the Festival’s customers who visit the booth. Here are the winners of the 2010 Spring Tempe Festival of the Arts Artists’ Awards:

BEST OF SHOW

Jean-Claude Louis for his 2-D Mixed Media/Photography work which includes multiple photographic media including Polaroid transfer, pigment inks, and hand-made papers. It was his first time exhibiting at the Tempe Festival of the Arts. Louis’ other awards include first place in the Prix de la Photographie Paris, merit award in the National Geographic Traveler competition and other international awards for travel and cultural photography. A retired physician and biomedical research scientist, Louis lives in Agoura Hills, California.

Other award winners include best in each of 17 show categories, as follows:

2D MIXED MEDIA

Emerson Matabele
New Orleans, LA

DIGITAL ART

Doug Horne
Oxnard, CA

OTHER ART

Julie Crabtree-Pfannes
Cushing, WI

3D MIXED MEDIA

Adam Homan
Tucson, AZ

DRAWING

Gwen Kirk
Ashland, OR

PAINTING

Bill Cramer
Prescott, AZ

CLAY

Catherine & Brandon Reece
Dublin, CA

GLASS

Paul Counts
San Marcos, CA

PHOTOGRAPHY

Don Shimmel
Orange, CA

COTTAGE EDIBLES & CRAFTS

Ken Weisner
Tucson, AZ

JEWELRY

Pyper Hugos
Bozeman, MT

PRINTMAKING

Seung Lee
Maplewood, MN

LEATHER

Pietra & David Wall
Layton, UT

METAL

G.M. Webb
Bedford, TX

SCULPTURE

John Wayne & Paige Jackson
Scottsdale, AZ

WEARABLE ART

Michelle Johnson
Prescott, AZ

WOOD

Timothy Lockwood
Fillmore, UT