

Small Talk

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2018 Show Off To A Great Start!

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Ralph Burson and Lynnette Vaughan opening boxes and adding names.

MASF Volunteers have been busy behind the scenes getting ready for the our Forty-Third Miniature Art Show.

Starting in mid September boxes of art arrive at our mailing address. Usually it is Herb Weed who collects the boxes and transports them to our studio in Dunedin.

The receiving team has a variety of jobs. Each box is carefully opened. The artist's name is written on two sides.

Another person takes out the paper work; including any checks, biographies, postcards and possible notes or letters.

That same person makes sure that the correct number of art works based on the entry form is removed from the box.

Someone places the boxes on shelves in alphabetical order.

It takes two people to compare the information on the backs of the art to the entry form. This is also when a tag is added for first time entries or artist

younger than 36. The art is checked for image size and the frames are checked at this time.

Sometimes there is no eye hook on the back or the backing is torn. This art is placed in a box for Bob Fritz to check and see if he can repair it.

If no framing issues are seen the art is placed in a box ready for the day the jury looks over each piece.



Dan Allwine placing boxes on the shelves.



Susan Palmer checks the information on back as Lynnette Vaughan places a bio in a tray.



Ralph Burson opening a box. Debbie Holden enjoys a unique packaging of a sculpture in a sock. Marilynne Wasielewski makes sure the correct number of art pieces come out of the box as Susan Palmer checks the info.

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43rd Annual International

Miniature Art Show



January 14 — February 4, 2018

Monday—Friday 10:00AM to 5:00PM
Saturday 10:00AM to 4:00PM
Sunday 1:00 to 4:00PM
 Hundreds of Fine Art in Paintings and Sculptures
 "In Little" from Around the World

Adults \$ 10.00 Seniors (65+years) \$ 8.00
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Forty-third International Miniature Art Show

2018 Awards Program

Yes, I want to honor winning artists
 with the following for the Awards Program:

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Award to be in the following name (gift of \$100 or more) (optional):

The _____ Award

(Print as it is to appear in catalog)

In Memory Of or In Honor Of (optional):

(Print)

Prefer following category if possible (optional):

(Print)

My check, payable to Miniature Art Society of Florida, Inc., is enclosed.

Your Name (Print) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____

Zip _____ Phone _____

Mail to: Barbara Robertson, Awards Chairwoman, MASF

16303 Colwood Drive, Odessa, Florida 33556

By November 15, 2017, Tax exempt, IRS Code 501 (c) (3)

The Awards Brunch is always an enjoyable time for artists, their families and their friends. It is an opportunity to gather and celebrate those artists whose work has been selected for one of the awards.

You can help make this day special by donating when you receive a solicitation in the mail. The letter is sent to those who in the past several years were donors, purchased artwork or entered art in the show.

If you don't fall into any of these categories this is your invitation to participate in the Awards Program. Contact Barbara Robertson, 16303 Colwood Drive, Odessa, FL 33556. Her Cell Phone is 330 494-8088, email: barbr@rhsonline.net.

Your gift to our awards program will enable us to acknowledge the "best of the best" entries with substantial awards.

Your financial contributions to the Miniature Art Society of Florida are always welcome and are tax deductible. Thank you. You can make your donation through our website.



Bits and Pieces—Congratulations to the many MASF members who are award winners

34th Annual North American Miniature Exhibition At The Art Gallery of Fells Point October 5-November 5, 2017

Acrylic 1st Place—Bailey—Akiko Watanabe
2nd Place—Well Worn—Judith Edgington Bayes
3rd Place— Let It Snow A Little—Stephanie
Kozemchak
Honorable Mention—Vantage Point- Diana M.
Wyles

Drawing 1st Place—Splashy Boy—Melissa Miller
Nece
2nd Place—Bathing Beauty—Pamela Palco
3rd Place—The Flower Market—Kathy Pollak
Honorable Mention—Taking A Break—Lionetta
Avelar

Mixed Media 1st Place—Night Sanctuary—Wilma
Lopez
Honorable Mention—The Lodge—Nar Steel

Oil—1st Place—Blue Bonnet—Barbara Stanton
2nd Place—Four Golden Birds—Gail MacArgel
Honorable Mention
Herd Along The River Bank— Beverly Abbott
Castle Builders—Elaine Hahn
My Favorite Place—Gunny Nilsson
Morning Surf—James A Andrews
King Of Beasts—Lena Leitzke
The Artist—Raymonde Chavoor

Pastel 3rd Place—Autumn Field—Helen Mathysen-
Dobbins
Honorable Mention—Bright Blossoms—Genevieve
Roberts

Printmaking 1st Place—Red Bridge—Mimi Hegler
2nd Place—Kitchen Visit—Vivian DeKosinsky
Honorable Mention— Hand In Hand—Shirley
Tabler

Watercolor 1st Place—Durga—Jacqueline Mitchell
Smith
Honorable Mention—Attention Caught—Lionetta
Avelar

Heartland Guild 2017 Miniature Exhibition

People's Choice Award—Summer Retreat-
Elizabeth Brown

MPSGS 2017 Award Winners

Judge's Choice—Lighthouse Keeper's Companion-
Linda Rossin
MAA Award of Excellence— The Edge Of The
Wood—Joyce Rowsell

Best New Artist Painting A Masterpiece—June
Holloway

Best In Floral Sunflowers—Irina Kouznetsova
Oil Awards 1st Place—Tides Out—Vicki Vitale
3rd Place—Shore Treasures—Elaine Hahn

Acrylic Awards 1st Place—Made In The USA-
Tykie Ganz

3rd Place—The Ocean Muse—Judy Lalingo
Honorable Mention—Trio—Sue Wall

Watermedia Awards 1st Place—Summer Place-
Janet Laird-Lagasse

2nd Place—Golden-Mantled Ground Squirrel-
Wes Siegrist

Drawing Awards 2nd Place—Solo Stroll—Melissa
Miller Nece

3rd Place—Jacked Up—Lionetta Avelar
Honorable Mention—Fingal's Moon Revisited-
Mary Serfass

Pastel Awards 1st Place—Dangerous Curve-
Helen Mathysen-Dobbins

Graphic Art Awards 1st Place—Hand In Hand-
Shirley Tabler

2nd Place—Hare Piece—Viviane de Kosinsky
3rd Place—CV State Park—James Mullen

Honorable Mention—The Golden House—Mimi
Hegler

Collage/Mixed Media Awards 2nd Place-
Academia—Airi M Foote

Sculpture Awards 2nd Place—Sitting Tight—Paul
Eaton

3rd Place—Sweet Dreams—Joy Krieger Beckner
Honorable Mention—Dog Park—Daniel Phillip
Kronberg

Awards for Ivory/Ivory 1st Place—Vietnamese
Bride—Markissia Touliatos

3rd Place—Rust In Peace—Janice Knoll

Awards for Portraiture 1st Place—Girl With Jet
and Gold Pendant—Michael Coe

3rd Place—Sunday Painter—Tim Bowers
Honorable Mention—The Patriot—Cathleen
Martinetto

Landscape Awards Honorable Mention—Indian
Summer—Judith Edgington-Bayes

Bird and Animal Awards 3rd Place—Ring Tail
Diva—Carol Heiman-Greene

International Awards 2nd Place—Old Brown
Gate—Chrysoula Argyros

3rd Place—Stephens Beach SW Tasmania—Joan
Humble

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article or good news send it to Kathy
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**“The artist is
always beginning.
Any work of art
which is not a
beginning, an
invention, a
discovery is of little
worth.”
Ezra Pound**



Awards Brunch-Florida at its Best Great People, Great Art, Great Food



Join us for a wonderful brunch, meet artists, collectors and members you've heard about but not seen in person. View the winning art projected on the screen; enlarged . . . no magnifying glasses needed. This is the premier event during the opening weekend.

MENU

First Course

Scrambled Eggs
Belgian Waffle with Strawberry Sauce
Three Cheese & Scallion Quiche
Old Bay Hash Browns with Red & Green Peppers & Onions
Bacon
Assorted Mini Muffins

Second Course

Chocolate Mousse Shooters

Beverage Station

Coffee Station with Whipped Cream, Lemon & Orange Zest and
Chocolate Morsels
Orange Juice

It will be held at the Bon Appetit Restaurant in Dunedin on Sunday January 14th from 8:45 AM to Noon. For those who haven't been here before Bon Appetit has free valet parking.

Prepaid reservations are required at a cost of \$ 27.00 per person or \$ 32.00 per person after the cut off date of January 7, 2018. Contact Social Chair—
Chieko Bromley, PO Box 535, Oldsmar FL, 34677, 813-424-9074, chieko.mp@gmail.com

You may reserve and pay for your brunch ticket by clicking on this link to our website <http://miniature-art.com/brunch/> .

Motel List 2018 Show

Listed below are several places to stay in Dunedin. All are near the downtown area and an easy commute to the Dunedin Fine Art Center.

- **Yacht Harbor Inn– Best Western** 150 Marina Place, Dunedin FL 34698 Ph. 727 733-4121, Toll Free 800 447-4728 www.advantuscop.com 1-2 persons call for current rates, AAA, AARP Discounts, Pool, at Dunedin Marina directly on St Joseph Sound. Next door to Bon Appetit Restaurant, (**site of Awards Banquet**)
- **Holiday Inn Express** 975 Broadway (Alt. 19), Dunedin FL 34698 727 450-1200, Toll Free 800 465-4329 www.hiexpress.com/dunedin 1-2 persons call for current rates, 2 blocks north of downtown Dunedin
- **Amberlee Motel** 1035 Broadway (Alt. 19), Dunedin, FL 34698 Ph. 727 733-3228 Call for traditional reasonable rates. Small nice non-chain motel.
- **Palm Court** 2090 Bayshore Blvd, Dunedin FL 727 736-0441 Call for reasonable rates for small family run “old Florida” motel.

You could also check www.tripadvisor.com/Hotels-g34187-Dunedin_Florida-Hotels.html

“Legos” A New Media for Artistic Expression

By Kay Petryszak



MASF board members work hard all year. Summertime is the time to kick back and do something fun and different. So four members attended “**The Art of the Brick**” exhibition in Tampa.

This is the world’s largest exhibition of Lego art today, and the display contains

100 sculptures. The artist, Nathan Sawaya, has taken Legos to a new high with this global touring exhibition. It was rated by CNN as one of the world’s “Must See” exhibitions.

The exhibit includes

many paintings and sculptures by the great masters (but made out of Legos). The Lego sculptures are amazing, creative, unbelievable and awe inspiring.

Nathan had many positive, encouraging messages for people with some sculptures like a stepladder.

He stated: sometimes when you’re looking for a step up, you don’t have to look further than yourself. We’re all capable of more than we think.

Nathan, who believes that “art is not optional”, has founded The Revolution Foundation for the purpose of making art a priority in our schools and homes.

What, you didn’t think we would attend – yet another- ART EVENT ??? Silly you. This was fun ♦



“The Starry Night” by Vincent Van Gogh



Kay Petryszak standing by a Dinosaur—made from 70,050 legos.

Dates You Don’t Want to Miss for the 2018 Show

As an artist, getting my art into the show is my first priority. But quickly after that comes participating in some of the Show Highlights.

- **The Collectors Preview** Takes place on Saturday, January 13th at the Dunedin Fine Art Center. Doors open at 10:00 AM.
- **Awards Brunch** from 8:45 AM to Noon at Bon Appetit Restaurant, Dunedin Marina, on Sunday January 14th.
- **2018 Show Opening Reception** Sunday January 14th, 1:00 PM at the Dunedin Fine Art Center.





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