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Accessible Expressions Ohio is a statewide, juried, visual arts exhibition and tour adding to the richness of cultural diversity throughout Ohio. Since 1996 the program has provided professional development opportunities for artists to create, exhibit and sell their art, recognized all ability levels, and presents art by people with disabilities in inclusive settings.

Beginning September 1st of each year, artists are invited to respond to a call for entries with their artwork to VSA Ohio. Adjudicators determine which artwork will be featured in the show.

The artwork is exhibited at the opening ceremony and a second adjudication is conducted to determine the first, second and third place winners in youth, emerging, and professional categories, as well as Best in Show and People's Choice.

Following the opening ceremony, the artwork is divided into tours and travels around Ohio. Sales of artwork are encouraged at the opening ceremony as well as each tour site. This catalog includes all the art on tour.

VSA Ohio is a statewide service organization dedicated to empowering individuals with disabilities, creatively and inclusively, through the arts. VSA Ohio is a member of the international network of VSA, an affiliate of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. VSA is creating a society where people with disabilities learn through, participate in, and enjoy the arts. This program is made possible in part through funding from VSA, under and award from the U.S. Department of Education.

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Michael Adams



The Four Faces

Medium: Pen, Ink, Acrylic, Oil

Emerging artist

Price:
\$2,550

**1st Place
Emerging**

Toledo, Ohio

My art is an expression of inner turmoil I am going through due to Multiple Sclerosis, the pain, frustration, and the loss. The Four Faces is an expression of the loss of empathy, understanding, and humanity I have experiences from those around me during this trying time. I hope my art will inspire others to share their experience with chronic, debilitating diseases and let the world know what they're going through.

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Leni Anderson



Eyes that are Blind

Price:
\$900

Medium: Acrylics

Professional artist

Columbus, Ohio

After the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001, I had found myself caught in a vortex of chaos and confusion that had caused me to literally fall into a catatonic state artistically for almost four months, and was stricken with a bit of fear and anxiety that my artwork would be considered subversive, or at the very least, misunderstood because I explore, examine, and paint about topical socio-political/cultural issues and events. Artistically, this period in my life was the proverbial “darkest days of my life” because I felt I had lost my voice, my vehicle of expression.

Then in early 2002, I went to the Cleveland Museum of Art and visited their Medieval/Renaissance galleries and then a few months later left for my GCAC International Fellowship Residency to Dresden, Germany. Between these two experiences I had an epiphany; before that time I had not appreciated the artists or the artwork from these time periods, but on that day I had a Maslowian moment of self-actualization and began to understand and see beyond “just” the paint on canvas, the message of the artists and their artwork was revealed to me, so, armed with my new insight and understanding I found my voice, my vehicle to express myself again.

Additionally, it was a motivating factor that encouraged me to go back to college and earn an Associate’s of Arts degree from Columbus State Community College (2006), B.A. in history of art from The Ohio State University (2007), and a Master of Library and Information Science (M.L.I.S.) degree with a focus in archival studies from Ken State University- Columbus campus (2009).

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Rachael Armstrong



The Dress Shoppe

Price:
\$125

Medium: Acrylics

Emerging artist

Pickerington, Ohio

Rachael Armstrong, of Pickerington, Ohio, is a brand new artist working in the Blue Shoe Arts studio in Fairfield County. As a recent graduate of Pickerington North High School, she had previously been involved with Community Connections, a monthly program offered by Blue Shoe Arts to invite everyone from Fairfield County to experience creativity the “Blue Shoe” way.

Rachael is an untrained artist who has amazing natural God-given talents in painting and drawing. She is precise and exact in her drawings and continues to develop as a paint artist. Her favorite themes are flowers and fashion design. During her interview and test, she brought notebooks filled with sketches of ball gowns, beautifully detailed. This piece, “The Dress Shoppe” incorporates her love of fashion with an attempt at some architecture. The result is a quaint depiction of something quite Victorian in style.

Rachael is a lovely, quiet young lady who loves to come on Wednesdays to be an artist. It is a pleasure to have her in the BSA studio and we look forward to helping her grow her talents in visual art.

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Jacki Barr



It's Autumn!

Medium: Mixed Media

Professional artist

Price:
\$175



Help Me

Medium: Mixed Media

Price:
\$225

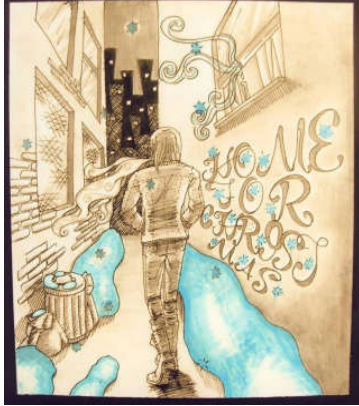
Columbus, Ohio

I have been a Columbus, Ohio artist for 30 years and have focused on the human form, specializing in the head and bust. I draw from photos, customizing backgrounds and costumes on request. I also produce drawings of mixed media, and have lately focused on creating greeting cards. My cards are available at several local retail stores and online at www.jackibarr.com. I have enjoyed exhibiting my portraits and drawings all over Columbus

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Kaila Berkley



Home For Christmas

Medium: Watercolors, Ink

Emerging artist

Price:
Not for sale

Johnstown, Ohio

I am Kaila Berkley and a Senior at Johnstown-Monroe High School. I have been interested in Art for ten years. I love sketching people and inanimate objects. I also have an interest in Fashion and Design. I have recently discovered how to use watercolors and my Art teacher is helping me to learn techniques that apply to different design styles. I want to go to Savannah College of Art & Design to learn sequential art. I would eventually like to get my Master's in Fine Arts.

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Bridget Bobinger



Pumpkins

Medium: Oil

Emerging artist

Price:
\$500

Cincinnati, Ohio

After viewing Van Gogh's *Starry Night* in elementary school, I can remember how it introduced the power that art can have on a person's life. Looking at the brilliant colors and flowing lines in the work could change my emotion. Creating this feeling for another has been the driving force behind my art. Technically, communicating relationships between colors found in everyday life is my main goal. A lot of the time, the variety of colors that make up a subject can be missed. Choosing the right colors to share my message is another challenge. I believe that "my eyes and ears are always open for new things, but what hits my heart ends up on the canvas". I received my Masters of Art Education from Xavier University and my undergraduate degree in Studio Art from New York University. I currently reside in Cincinnati, Ohio. I advocate strongly in the importance of using art in all areas of the educational world.

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Janet Boring



Untitled

Price:
\$120

Medium: Photograph

Emerging artist

Athens, Ohio

This photograph of an early spring bud reminds me of the legend of the dogwood tree, which, as a kid I remember being told about by my grandmother. The legend states that the dogwood had once been a very large tree, and then, the wood from that tree was used to make the cross that Jesus was crucified on. As the story goes, the tree was very upset that it was used for the cross. So Jesus then made a promise to the tree that future dogwoods would never grow big enough to hurt anybody again. And that is why the branches are so spindly.

I've been photographing since age 18, and I've learned a lot over the years. My interest in subject matter has stayed consistent through the years, as I've focused mostly on nature, flowers, animals. I enjoy these subjects because they inspire me to get up close to things that can often be passed by and forgotten in the hustle and bustle of the world that we live.

Janet Boring lives and creates in Athens, Ohio. Janet is an active member of the Athens Photographic Project, an award winning, fine art program that provides photography as a resource for mental health recovery and community integration. Since 2000, APP artists have participated in 10-week photography classes, exhibited photographs statewide, and promoted public awareness and acceptance of mental health conditions.

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Deanna Bowling



Green Eyed Cat

Price:
\$45

Medium: Marker

Emerging artist

New London, Ohio

Deanna lives in New London with her family and works at Christie Lane Industries. She meets regularly with fellow artists at Artist's Open Studio to practice her skills. Through her work, Deanna gives us a whimsical look at her perceptions of the things that interest her. Deanna received a Proclamation from the Huron County Commissioners for her achievements at Accessible Expressions Ohio VSA exhibit in 2009.

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Yolando Christian



Chakazulu

Medium: Sculpture Mask

Emerging artist

Price:
Not for sale

Cambridge, Ohio

Yolando resides in Cambridge, Ohio. She has been employed with Guernsey Industries in Byesville, Ohio for a considerable time. Yolando loves bold and colorful jewelry and enjoys jewelry making. She loves to participate in art projects and enjoys shopping.

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Savannah Cochenour



Two Circles

Medium: Pencil

Youth artist

Price:
\$30

Johnstown, Ohio

My hobbies and interests are animals and drawing. I love taking care of any animal and I have always loved to draw. Art enhances my life in some ways; like I love going to art class because I can be creative!

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Shea Collins



Blueberry Jar

Medium: polymer clay

Emerging artist

Price:
\$55

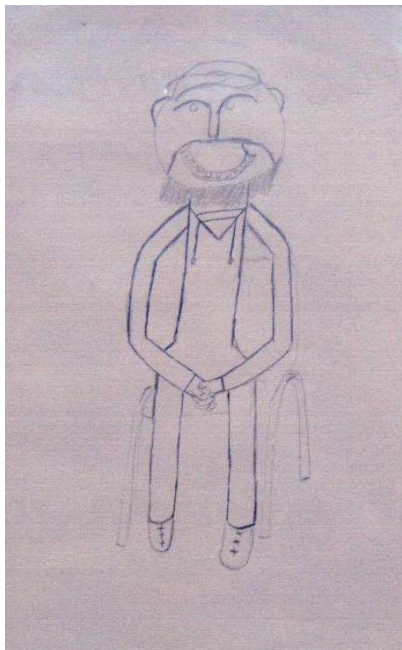
Norwalk, Ohio

Shea Collins is an eager participant in AOS Ceramic Studio meetings. She seems never to be without a smile as she offers encouragement to her fellow artists. Shea has created several exceptional pieces of ceramic art for display this year. Shea truly enjoys her time in Artists' Open Studio and at Christie Lane Industries in Norwalk, where she works.

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Robert Covington



Tim

Medium: Pencil, Watercolor

Emerging artist

Price:
Not for sale

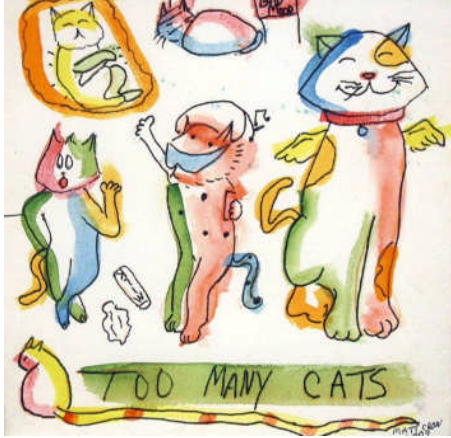
Byesville, Ohio

Robert likes drawing and is accomplished at this skill. Robert is employed at Guernsey Industries in Byesville, Ohio. He loves football, playing pool and is a valuable basketball player on the Guernsey Eagles basketball.

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Matt Crow



Too Many Cats

Medium: Acrylic, Pen

Emerging artist

Price:
\$55

Lancaster, Ohio

Matt Crow, of Lancaster, Ohio, is a new artist in the Blue Shoe Arts studio, beginning in May 2009. He came to us as a sketch artist mainly drawing ducks. These drawings were very good but upon closer examination, we discovered that all of his drawings combined two different species of ducks each time. Once we began to question him on this, we discovered that he is actually doing this in real life – taking a female and a male of different kinds and putting them together in a pen until they mate to produce a hybrid duck. So his drawings are a record of actual experimentation. He then began to expand his artwork into different kinds of animals, putting a turtle and a lizard together to produce “lizrtle” and a rabbit and squirrel to produce “squabbit” and so forth.

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Nathanael Curtiss



Happy Butterfly

Medium: Mixed Media

Youth artist

Price:
\$200

**2nd Place
Youth**



Tiger Hunting

Medium: Acrylic

Price:
\$125

Columbus, Ohio

Nathanael paints with a contagious energy which translates through his subject matter. His vivid colors give a small glimpse of his wonderful personality. He paints everything from blues clues to tigers.

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Linda Damron



Sunny Sailing

Price:
\$55

Medium: Pastel

Emerging artist

Norwalk, Ohio

Linda is a regular participant in Artists' Open Studio, Painting Studio where she is trying new art materials and developing some confidence in her abilities. Linda is well known at Christie Lane Industries in Norwalk and around the area for her entrepreneurial personality in advancing her micro-business "Sunshine Flower Wagon". She lives in Now London, Ohio.

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Richard Davis



*From A Dream of a
Non-Existent Northern
Indiana Town*

Price:
\$215

Medium: Watercolor

Emerging artist



*My Rendition of White
Butte, South Dakota*

Price:
\$85

Medium: Watercolor

Bowling Green, Ohio

I grew up in Bryan, and afterwards graduated from Bowling Green State University in 1983 in urban planning, where I took a black & white photography course. This class was my first formal training in art, and with the use of my dad's darkroom I was able to improve my photography skills. I was accepted in the Toledo Art Museum's Area Artist Exhibition for the first time in 1990 with a painting I created out of my head, and in 1991 I won my first prize, which was in photography.

Shortly after college I started on disability, and although I've had several part-time jobs, my income has been such that I've been limited in what I can do. Much of my photography has been taken on several vacations with my parents, and I subsequently fell in love with the American West and northern plains. In 2000 I entered the Black Swamp Arts Festival in Bowling Green, and with the help of my parents participated in the show annually through 2008. I was awarded Best of Show in 2003 at the Findlay Festival of the Arts, for my photography of Ukrainian and Orthodox churches, specifically those in Manitoba just north of the US border.

In 2004 I was able to get permission to paint from the photographs in a book on the Ukrainian churches of Manitoba, and last year I received permission from two more publishers of Canada's Ukrainian and eastern European churches. These subjects are the driving force of my art, with the landscapes I've created to go with them. I am also able to make up paintings completely from my head, which is an asset because I'm no longer able to travel as in past years. The grain elevator painting I am entering in this show is such a painting, inspired by an elevator we were not able to stop at on our last trip to the western Dakotas in 2003. I'm hoping to continue to improve my painting, and if I am able, to travel to the upper midwest to photograph churches and the landscape again. For now, photographing the Ukrainian churches of the Canadian prairie provinces is a dream that is out of reach.

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Mike Dezarn



Downunder

Medium: Acrylic

Emerging artist

Price:
\$85

Cincinnati, Ohio

Mike is a painter in acrylic paint. He has been painting for many years at the Visionaries & Voices studios and has developed a very unique style of drawing and painting mixed media and is moving toward an abstract method of additive and subtractive application of paint.

Most of the paintings in Mike's portfolio are of a whimsical nature and or resemble fantasy art. His line quality is what gives his work a definitive edgy contemporary gothic style as does content such as wizards, dragons, strange clowns and other skull or mask like figures.

Recently Mike has begun a new series of abstracts which reflect a very thoughtful approach toward adding and reducing paint layers to intentionally reveal the underlying colors below. Well thought out and executed, very subtle color emerges from the bottom creating a very peaceful yet still maintaining his gothic edge.

He has displayed his work throughout Visionaries & Voices galleries and was chosen recently as the illustrator to the cover of the Visionaries & Voices board report. His work is widely collected and has great appeal to the viewer.

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Nick Drennan



Price:
Not for sale

Grand Ocean Thunderbird

Medium: Sharpie,Pencil

Youth artist

Westchester, Ohio

Nick Drennan is a freshman at Lakota West High School in Westchester, Ohio. He is a typical teenager. He loves video games, movies, swimming and hiking. Nick has Asperger's Syndrome, or high functioning Autism.

Nick did this piece in his eighth grade art class. His art teacher, Debbie Kitchen, instructed each student to fill the school mascot, the Thunderbird, with any design of their choice. Nick has a lot of the ocean, so this was an obvious decision for him. Nick used poster board, permanent marker and acrylic paints to create his artwork. He has titled his piece "Grand Ocean Thunderbird".

Nick loves art and it is truly a passion of his. It does not matter what material he is working with, he likes to create. Art has been a wonderful avenue for Nick. He becomes more expressive and loves to talk about his creations. We cannot wait to see what this brings for him in the future!

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Leslie Edwards Humez



Balanced Diet

Medium: Ceramic

Professional artist

Price:
\$375

Painesville, Ohio

Born in East Cleveland, Leslie has explored many media and gathered technical knowledge from inspired teachers and exuberant experimentation. Her sculptures transform the familiar and elevate the commonplace, breathing life into found items and reincarnating them as surreal studies and functional art pieces.

Drawing on media ranging from traditional graphics and photography to fiber and metal, her work instantiates a compulsive attention to detail working intimacy with the absurd, and an irrepressible appetite for sight gags and puns. Leslie is the creator and manager of the website www.clevelandartseast.com which showcases work by herself and other Western Reserve Artists.

She and her spouse live on the shoulders of the Grand River in Painesville, OH where they share a rescued cat, brainstorm before breakfast, and have no delusions about the ubiquity of rational thought.

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Jim Feltner



A Cold Winter's Day

Price:
\$145

Medium: Acrylic

Professional artist



My Camping Ground

Price:
\$125

Medium: Acrylic

Professional artist

Columbus, Ohio

Jim has been painting for over four years now and he works with various materials, primarily depicting aspects of nature. Even though Jim's hands shake at times, the movement of his body translated into his painting conveys a certain immediacy in the overall image. Jim's work has been shown at the Edward Jones Building, Art Ability in Pennsylvania, The Sister Keny Exhibition, and the VSAO's Accessible Expressions 2005-2007 and various conferences throughout the state.

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Gordon Franciosa



Untitled

Price:
\$120

Medium: Photograph

Emerging artist

Athens, Ohio

Gordon Franciosa lives and creates in Athens, Ohio. Gordon is an active member of the Athens Photographic Project, an award winning, fine art program that provides photography as a resource for mental health recovery and community integration. Since 2000, APP artists have participated in 10-week photography classes, exhibited photographs statewide, and promoted public awareness and acceptance of mental health conditions.

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Saundra Frazier



Reflections

Medium: Photograph

Emerging artist

Price:
\$120

**3rd Place
Emerging**

Athens, Ohio

“My mother was born during the Great Depression era and has resided in Appalachia her entire life. I share a deeper understanding of her struggles as I attempt, with my pictures, to show details and traits of her life. As I reveal this strong-willed, hardworking, hard-as-nails woman that I call my mother, thus I reveal myself, as we are both survivors.” Saundra Frazier lives and creates in Athens, Ohio. Saundra is an active member of the Athens Photographic Project, an award winning, fine art program that provides photography as a resource for mental health recovery and community integration. Since 2000, APP artists have participated in 10-week photography classes, exhibited photographs statewide, and promoted public awareness and acceptance of mental health conditions.

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Jessika Freshcorn



Mama and Baby

Medium: Sculpture

Youth artist

Price:
\$200

**1st Place
Youth**



Crazy Circus

Medium: Sculpture

Youth artist

Price:
\$200

Milford Center, Ohio

Jessika Freshcorn is a 17 year old young lady with Autism. She is a pretty typical teenager- she loves the computer and her room is quite messy. Jessika's favorite place to be is at home with her family doing some form of art work. Although she is very good at drawing, painting, and creating books, she is absolutely amazing when she gets her hands on some clay. In years past, most of her sculptures were quite small. Recently, however, her work is becoming larger and more detailed. Jessika is self-taught.

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Elaine Gaines



Sea Monster

Price:
\$125

Medium: Acrylic

Emerging artist

Columbus, Ohio

Elaine has been painting for 4-5 years. She has cerebral palsy, mild MR, seizure disorder and sickle cell trait. Elaine's body allows her to paint in a radius of about two inches. Periodically, the image will be viewed from a distance enabling her to make better design decisions. Elaine has had work exhibited in the 2002-2007 Very Special Arts exhibit, the ArtWorks Gallery "Stories to Tell" exhibition, The Sister Keny Art Show, Art Ability, The Hebron Music and Arts Festival, and various conferences.

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Sarah Gallant



Follow Your Dream

Price:
Not for sale

Medium: Photograph

Professional artist

Cincinnati, Ohio

I'm a self-taught artist who enjoys a variety of art forms. Being diagnosed with schizophrenia early in life prompted an extended inner journey. In the beginning, the road was difficult but it eventually led to a place of greater peace, harmony, and awareness. Some of the same qualities I once considered burdens are now seen as gifts. Creativity has always been an important part of my process. I'm a believer in the healing power of creative work because I've experienced its impact on my own life and have witnessed it in the lives of those around me.

Involved in the Mental Health Consumer movement since 1995, I founded Vulcan's Forge Artists Collaborative in 1997, a mental health consumer art group that used art as a vehicle for catharsis, empowerment and healing. VF operated as an integral part of the now defunct Hamilton County Recovery Initiative until 2003. I presently work at the Recovery Center of Hamilton County where I facilitate a variety of educational, recreational, and self-help groups and encourage others to discover, develop, and share their talents and creative gifts.

Besides the arts, some other interests include astrology, symbolism, holistic health, shamanism, geology, experiencing nature, walking, and Native American Spirituality. I'm presently studying the Native American flute and have just gotten a certification in guided imagery.

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Barbara Gamboa



Pricilla of the Waters

Price:
\$1000

Medium: Acrylic

Emerging artist



Amarilla

Price:
\$1350

Medium: Acrylic

Cincinnati, Ohio

Art offers me endless opportunities to represent the industry, sentiments and dreams that otherwise might go unnoticed, undiscovered or unloved. These representations are on film in printmaking and paints. That which lies beneath the surface of my skin is the common medium. I am pleased to reveal them to you.

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Michelle Glaze



Swimming

Medium: Acrylic

Emerging artist

Price:
\$75

Cincinnati, Ohio

New to Visionaries and Voices Michelle uses drawing medium, watercolor and acrylic paint. Her palate is very bright often containing stories and illustration of the events in her life along with animals and pets.

A beginning painter Michelle naturally gravitates toward vibrant color and creates a visual tension that immediately draws the eye toward finer detail in her work. She works consistently with the Visionaries & Voices studios and displays every indication of becoming a prolific painter.

She has exhibited at the Visionaries & Voices studios & galleries and as her body of work continues to grow she plans to exhibit locally in galleries in the Cincinnati area.

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Joseph Greene



Merry-Go-Round Antics

Price:
\$100

Medium: Acrylic

Emerging artist

Carroll, Ohio

Joseph A Greene, 51 of Lancaster, Ohio, has been a self-taught cartoon artist since the age of four. He is the first official artist in Blue Shoe Arts, starting in July 2004 and created the Blue Shoe Arts logo based upon the fact that his original pre-teen kids almost always wore blue tennis shoes.

Joseph works in the Blue Shoe Arts studio two days each week and never seems to run out of ideas of what he wants to draw and paint. He has several themes that show up often in his work: bananas, time pieces, eyeballs, orbs, junk food, cute cats, dopey dogs, primates...and on and on. Some of his collections include: Noah's Ark, nursery rhymes and fairy tales, Red Hat Ladies, Last Supper, Global Chess Games, Cyclonauts, carnivals and space scenes.

This piece, "Merry-go-round Antics" captures Joe's fun side with lots of fun characters in lively colors, details galore with carnival food on the ground and decorated carousel. Gallery visitors find Joe's work amazing and love to look at all the details.

Joseph has exhibited in numerous art shows and galleries, several times having solo shows. He loves to attend the openings and greets customers as they watch him make small drawings of their requests. Being able to share his art with the public has drawn him out of his shell and broadened his social circle, raising his self-esteem and given him a wonderful way to communicate with the world.

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Albert Greenlief



Forest or Trees?

Price:
\$40

Medium: Colored Pencil

Emerging artist

Norwalk, Ohio

Detailed pencil and colored pencil drawings or occasional water-colors of flowers and animals come from the hand of Albert Greenlief. His abilities flourish in Artists' Open Studio meetings where he creates his graphic and ceramic art. His drawing "Hay Barn" included in the VSA 2009 exhibit and he received a Proclamation for his achievements from the Huron County Commissioners. Albert lives in Norwalk. He is a valued worker at Christie Lane Industries as well as a valued player on Christie Lane Bears sport teams.

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Paul Grimes



Professor's Pet

Price:
\$120

Medium: Photograph

Emerging artist

Athens, Ohio

“There are several reasons I enjoy photography. I find it a calming creative outlet, and it’s an art that’s very accessible to all sorts of people. It has also helped me capture the moment, both when taking pictures and in the rest of my life.” Paul Grimes

Paul Grimes lives and creates in Athens, Ohio. Paul is an active member of the Athens Photographic Project, an award winning, fine art program that provides photography as a resource for mental health recovery and community integration. Since 2000, APP artists have participated in 10-week photography classes, exhibited photographs statewide, and promoted public awareness and acceptance of mental health conditions.

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Michael Halliwell



The Pears

Medium: Charcoal

Youth artist

Price:
Not for sale

Rittman, Ohio

My name is Michael Halliwell and I am 13 years old. I live in Rittman, Ohio. I live with my parents, two sisters and our family dogs, Abby and Lattie. I am an 8th grader at Rittman High School. I am on the Rittman 8th grade football, track and wrestling team. I also love taking karate and have my yellow belt.

My dad was in the Navy so I was born in Virginia. My sisters were born in other states too. My mom is a dentist. My sister Lindsey is a graduate of Rittman High School and is working for a doctor's office. My younger sister Quincy is attending Rittman Elementary School where I went too. My family is very close and my parents are very supportive of my sisters and me.

I have a lot of interest such as drawing, video games and watching cartoons. Some of my favorite things right now are Yu-Gi-Oh, Pokémon, Lego's and Star Wars. I love listening to music. One of my favorite music groups is the Beatles. I love playing my Wii and have started loving to read books. I love computers, drawing, music, video games and sports. Everyone says I am a great cartoonist!

My favorite sports are football, wrestling, track, basketball and baseball. We just finished up the football season. Right now I am weight lifting for wrestling conditioning. After wrestling I am looking forward to track. In the future I would love to draw and create video games.

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Gloria Harris



Psychedelic Memories

Medium: Marker

Emerging artist

Price:
Not for sale

Toledo, Ohio

I have attended Lott Industries for many years. I have a passion for art. I have made many drawings over the past three years. My art teacher Thomas Fruslour has been my instructor. I would like to submit my drawing to this contest.

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Kenneth Harris



Food Float

Medium: Watercolor

Emerging artist

Price:
Not for sale



Bobby

Medium: Pencil, Watercolor

Price:
Not for sale

Byesville, Ohio

Kenny is employed in Guernsey Industries in Byesville, Ohio and lives in Cambridge, Ohio. Kenny enjoys watching professional wrestling and movies.

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Frances Heath



Relaxing Evening

Price:
\$300

Medium: Charcoal

Emerging artist



My Life Part Two: Losing My Mind

Price:
\$145

Medium: Mixed Media

Best in Show

Fremont, Ohio

My name is Frances Heath and I go by Franny. I have been creating art in various forms and mediums throughout my life. I have graduated from Terra Community College with an Associates degree of Individual Studies in Graphic Arts/ Fine Art, with Magna Cum Laude honors, in May 2009. I am also a member of Phi Theta Kappa and am currently the recording officer. I was diagnosed with Thoracic Outlet Syndrome after a single car accident, and consequently had two surgeries to correct it, with only partial recovery. I have dealt with Bipolar Disorder/Depression most of my life. Through various forms of creativity, gardening, sewing and art, I have physically improved over the years. I have three adult children and five grandchildren. I hope to be a freelance artist and am considering opening an art supply store.

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Tony Hoover



Downtown Pittsburgh

Price:
\$200

Medium: Acrylic

Professional artist

Columbus, Ohio

The paintings Tony creates primarily come from his imagination and hope for the world. The subject matter is, for the most part, houses or small communities, yet he also paints about events that happen in his everyday life. As his body changes, so does his art. Tony paints lying on a thick mat. His range of motion is very small. He has one arm that holds him up while the other arm is used to paint. The whole “point A to point B” of painting is very deliberate a somewhat slow process. This process shows clearly in his work.

The pieces have very little movement in them. They are more intended as a snapshot of his dreams and life. The colors that he uses are intense, graphic, and somewhat primitive in nature. He places certain colors next to one another to invoke a feeling, which bids the viewer to come a little closer to a world that he would want them to enjoy with Tony, and because there are so many nooks and crannies to be explored.

Tony uses proper perspective in some of his paintings and in others he doesn't. While learning on a continual basis the use of proper perspective, it is fun to play with the spatial relationships in conveying his ideas. Tony has had numerous group and one-man shows throughout the country.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Jacob Horner



Marching Orders

Medium: Mixed Media

Youth artist

Price:
\$175

Rittman, Ohio

Hello my name is Jacob Horner. I am 16 years old I was born in Ohio on February 22, 1993. I go to Rittman High School and I am planning on going to the career center next year. I am going for graphic design next year and precision machining the year after. I have one brother and one sister and both are older than me I live with my mom and dad in our own house. My hobbies consist of the occasional reading of a good book, working on the computer at home, building or taking things apart as to see how it works.

As for the things that I like and the things that I don't like there are not many things that I don't like I dislike people that have a problem with me because of the way I dress or for the people that I talk to or just have a problem with me for no real reason at all. I like many things however I love art of all kinds mostly drawing or building art not so much movement or dance. I like working with my hands and I am not afraid to get dirt under my nails in order to get something done.

Well as you can plainly see art is very high on the list of things that I like to do I love to draw and make art. I draw pictures almost everyday or work on previous drawings I used to get in to trouble for drawing so much during class. I am currently in art 2 and I have an A in class this project was sent in and it was completely unexpected I never expected to ever get any or my work entered into an art show of this extent of competition or any art show for that matter. Well that's my story judge my work as you see fit and good day to you all.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Christi Hysell



Ripples in Time

Price:
\$\$120.00

Medium: Photograph

Emerging artist

Athens, Ohio

“To be an artist that is going beyond oneself goes past the eye of the beholder. Given the change to be believed in, I now know that there is an audience of one that controls its destiny.” Christi Hysell

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EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Malcolm J.



Siesta Forever

Medium: Colored Pencil

Professional artist

Price:
\$660

**People's
Choice**



Hair Raiser

Medium: Black Marker and Pencil

Price:
\$450

Columbus, Ohio

Malcolm J. brings into consciousness the topics of social justice and equality through his artwork, touching a place in the heart of humanity. A self-taught artist from Cleveland, who now makes the Columbus Short North Arts district his home, Malcolm's art is bridging the gap between social divides. The depth of Malcolm's past, which has included periods of homelessness, gives him a unique well of life experience and wisdom to draw from for his creative expressions. The social commentary and narrative portrayed through his works allow us to see the world from eyes different from our own, while expanding our minds. His work is a wake-up call to change our world for the better. Never one for complacency, Malcolm's recent works have expanded into other areas beyond his social commentaries. He is currently seeking ways to improve upon his talents and create new opportunities for his potential to blossom. He was recently featured in past articles in "Street Speech" and the "Free Press". His illustrations have also appeared in both magazines.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Chris Jones



Birthday Harvest

Medium: Pencil, Watercolor

Emerging artist

Price:
\$100

Byesville, Ohio

Chris resides in Byesville, Ohio and is employed by Guernsey Industries in Byesville. Chris loves anything NASCAR and enjoys camping and heavy metal music.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Caroline Keller



Nine

Price:
\$40

Medium: Raku Pottery

Emerging artist



Autumn in Japan

Price:
\$80

Medium: Raku Pottery

Toledo, Ohio

Caroline has created art at the Toledo Museum of Art since she was a toddler. In junior high school, she began ceramics classes at the museum and continued while attending Bowsher High School, learning to create raku, which is her passion. While at Bowsher, she was selected as a member of the TMA's High School Arts Council. Currently, Caroline is a student at Mount Union College.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Bethany Kendrick



Keanu

Medium: Watercolor

Emerging artist

Price:
Not for sale

Toledo, Ohio

Bethany Kendrick has always enjoyed art, however she really blossomed when she attended the MATH Integrated Art Program at Phoenix Academy. From there, she attended Lourdes College and has a passion for art learning.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Andy Kirkpatrick



Lights on the Strip

Price:
\$100

Medium: Acrylic

Emerging artist

Norwalk, Ohio

Andy's bold acrylic paintings express his thoughts in a very dramatic way and often depict the colors of a season. Andy participates in weekly meetings of Artists' Open Studio and his work is sought after by a growing list of collectors from Ohio to California. Andy lives in Norwalk and enjoys social activities after his work day at Christie Lane Industries. He especially enjoys visits with his family, bowling, biking, swimming and watching basketball games.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Beth Klaus



*I'm King of the
World!*

Price:
\$120

Medium: Photograph

Emerging artist

Athens, Ohio

“Happiness it lies in the joy of achievement, in the thrill of creative effort.”

-Vincent Van Gogh

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ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Lorie Koehler



Gyotaku

Medium: Japanese Fish Print

Emerging artist

Price:
\$125



The Golden Harp

Medium: Watercolor

Price:
\$125

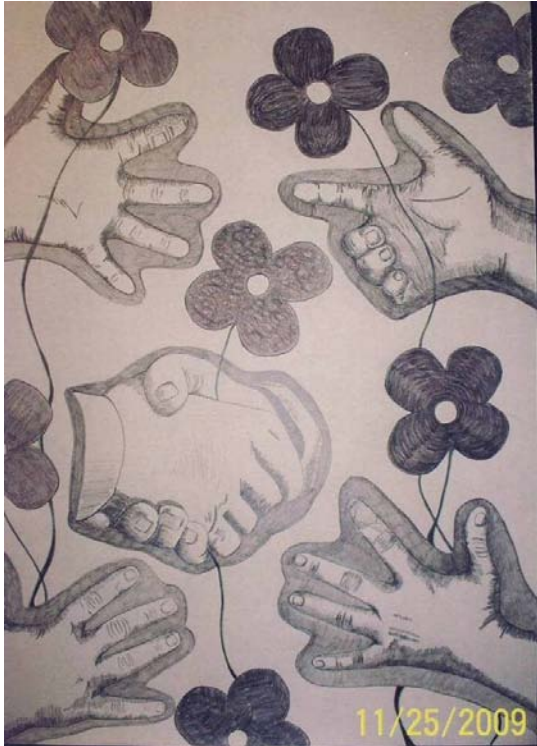
Parma, Ohio

Lorie is a resident of Parma Ohio and has enjoyed making art her entire life. She is employed but in her spare time greatly enjoys drawing and illustrating her favorite images. Lorie participates in the Cleveland Area Service Division “Art Works Class”. Lorie has the opportunity to draw, paint, and create 3 dimensional art works. She has an interest in crafts and jewelry. She has previously exhibited in the “Accessible Expressions Ohio” program.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Patricia Kohn



Handy Flowers

Medium: Pencil

Emerging artist

Price:
\$125

Toledo, Ohio

As an artist I have been exploring different mediums for my creative outlets as well as brushing up on the basics. Mixed media is a favorite of mine because I can create different textures often recycling items that would normally just be thrown away. Working in pencil can be challenging but the rewards of transforming a piece of paper into a work of art are immeasurable.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Ashley Kuchta



Ashley's World

Medium: Acrylic

Youth artist

Price:
Not for sale

**3rd Place
Youth**

Rittman, Ohio

My name is Ashley Kuchta. I'm a senior at Rittman High School and I play volleyball and love to snowboard. I work at Boston Mills in ski/snowboard rentals. In my spare time I like to hang out with friends, shopping, movies, and snowboard. I like art because I can be creative and unique. I have had many projects in the fair and at art shows. My favorite place to eat is Chipotle and I always get the burrito bowl. I love listening to music and my favorite genre is alternative rock/hip hop. I like going to concerts and have seen Lil Wayne, Pussycat Dolls, Warped Tour, Plain White Ts, Paramore, and No Doubt. I would like to be a graphic designer after high school

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Brandon LaBonte



Going Around Again

Price:
\$120

Medium: Photograph

Emerging artist

Athens, Ohio

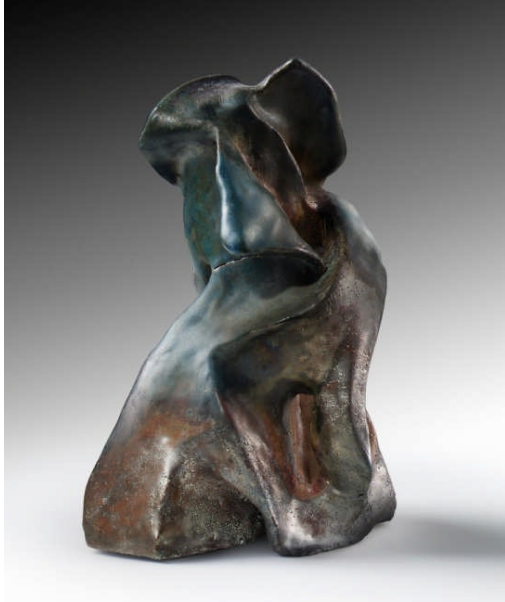
“Photography for me is all about seeing life through the photographer’s eyes. Do you see what I see? -Brandon LaBonte

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ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Chappelle Letman



Sister Corita

Price:
\$550

Medium:

Professional artist

Cleveland, Ohio

Born in Brooklyn, New York in 1950, making art was encouraged by Chappelle's teachers. His work appeared in a high school exhibition when he was only twelve years old. During high school, Chappelle attended night classes at Pels Art School and during the summer he attended Pratt Institute. At the Art Student's League, Chappelle created paintings, drawings and learned printmaking. At the Studio Museum of Harlem, as an artist in residence, he made etchings. He attended the California School of the Arts where he received his Bachelors of Fine Art. After graduating, he began freelance work and then moved to Alaska. Three years later, he moved back to New York to care for his mother who died of cancer in 1992, two days after he lost his sight due to glaucoma. Chappelle moved to California where he attended the Braille Institute, which helped him adjust to being blind. He briefly moved to Pennsylvania to live with his father before moving to Cleveland. Through the Cleveland Sight Center, he went to a show at the Cleveland Sculpture Center. Chappelle began continuing education classes in sculpture at the Cleveland Institute of Art, where he started stone sculpting, bronze casting and working in terra cotta.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Mary Lockhart



Jasmine

Medium: Photograph

Emerging artist

Price:
\$120

Athens, Ohio

“Photography has opened my eyes to seeing my family differently.
I have captured meaningful moments.

The lighting has been so beautiful.

Through photography I am able to create a family album that means more to me than words. These precious moments are dearest to me.”

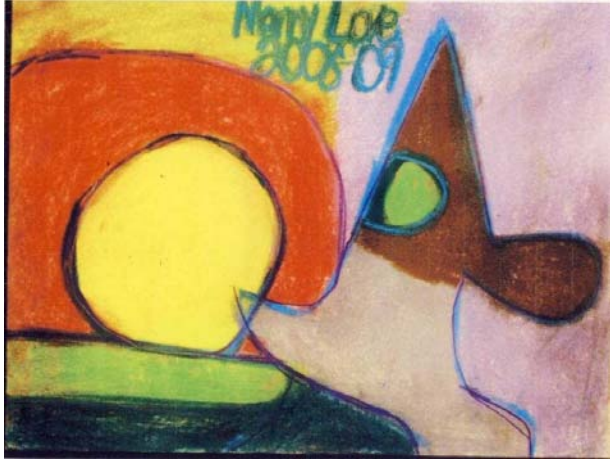
- Mary Lockhart

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ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Manny Love



Manny Love '09

Price:
\$140

Medium:

Emerging artist

Cincinnati, Ohio

Manny is primarily influenced by music in his art. His work is also heavily text based as he is often writing a written response to his African American culture and pursues an effort to identify with text the many other cultures in the world. Most of Manny's work revolves around music particularly Jazz. He has an abundant body of paintings in acrylic depicting the great jazz musicians and singers from American Jazz genre such as Ella Fitzgerald, George Benson and the instruments of Jazz music. Recently Manny has moved into a new phase of exceptional abstract works. He is using oil pastel and making larger non objective shapes that flow musically as if sound were implied. This new work is ongoing at present and seems to be growing toward a very peaceful rhythmic line with and instinctive command of color and space in composition.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Lauren Marsh



Woman In Blue

Medium: Oil

Emerging artist

Price:
Not for sale



The Good Dogs

Medium: Oil

Price:
Not for sale

Medina, Ohio

Lauren is an artist in training. Lauren is a Medina High School student studying how to make a living in the art world. Lauren also studies art privately with a local artist. Lauren has been able to overcome many obstacles by expressing her thoughts and feelings through the world of art. Lauren has many talents which include painting, drawing, crocheting, and knitting.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Dan Mash



Shadow II

Price:
\$120

Medium: Photograph

Emerging artist

Athens, Ohio

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EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Charlotte McGraw



*Pixie Dust
Fairy*

Price:
\$200

Medium: Mixed Media

**1st Place
Professional**

Professional artist



*Big Puff
Daddy and his
Family*

Price:
\$225

Medium: Mixed Media

Columbus, Ohio

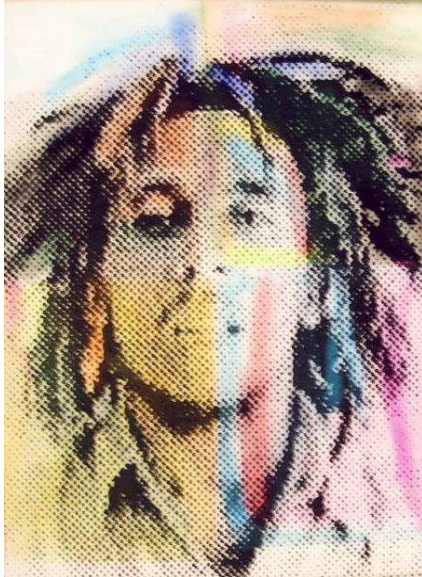
Charlotte has been painting for little over three years. She uses cut paper and paint in creating her images. The creatures Charlotte created all live in her town "Charlottesville," a modern day "Winesburg, Ohio" where she is the permanent mayor. "I learn many things about myself while making an image. Some of the little monsters scare me, some make me laugh, and others I empathize with. Since I'm the mayor/creator of this town I like the idea of having such a major influence on their lives. I think the words are getting around because the town just keeps growing. Each person has their story. Leroy was a drifter that can into town about a year ago, looked around and said 'it'll do, it'll do.' He was hired on as a farmhand where the low pay is compensated by free room and board with a smile. He quickly made a reputation for the ability of breaking a horse in two minutes flat. His signature smile makes the town folks laugh and the children cry."

As Charlotte creates, she simultaneously weaves a story giving the viewer a small glimpse into the lives of her creations. Charlotte won 1st place in the professional division of the 2007 VSAO exhibition and 2nd place in the 2008 VSAO exhibition. Her work has been exhibited in group exhibits at Comfest(2006-2008), Westerville Arts Festival, Worthington Fall Festival, Mount Vernon Fall Festival, The Works Gallery in Newark, Ohio, The Columbus Metropolitan Library, Global Gallery, GahannaJazz Festival, Lazy Daze of Summer (Grandview), and the New Perspectives Exhibition at the Fresh A.I.R. Gallery.

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ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Amanda Metzger



Bob Marley

Medium: Chalk Pastel

Youth artist

Price:
\$60

Johnstown, Ohio

Hi, My name is Amanda Metzger. I am a junior at Johnstown-Monroe High School. I have always been involved in the art program at school. I have enjoyed learning about the different mediums used in art. I have found art as a great way to express myself. I find it easier to show how I feel or think with my pictures than with words. Besides art I like to roller skate and ride my bike in my spare time.

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ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Kayla Miller



East Jordon

Medium: Photograph

Youth artist

Price:
\$60

Johnstown, Ohio

My name is Kayla Miller and I am a sophomore at Johnstown-Monroe High School. My hobbies are photography, music, and hanging out with my friends. My goal in life is to stay involved with photography and make that my career. I want to be a photographer because it allows me to be expressive through the lens of my camera.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Sandy Donna Miller



Fraggle Rock

Medium: Thread Collage

Emerging artist

Price:
\$40

Norwalk, Ohio

At Artists' Open Studio meetings, Sandy works quietly, energetically filling paper with overlapping lollipop shapes in colored pencil; her favorite medium for drawing. Sandy has another favorite medium – threads. This year, Sandy has been creating colorful montages with string, fabric, and foil as a break from her vigorous drawing, Sandy enjoys living with her friends in Norwalk and works at Christie Lane Industries.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Effie Mullins



Barely Hanging On

Price:
\$120

Medium: Photograph

Emerging artist

Athens, Ohio

"I find that the older I get, the harder it is to hang on, just as the larger the tree gets the harder it will be to hang on.

Then I wonder...should I hang on? OR should I sever the roots that keep me leashed to the past?

But if I sever these roots, these leashes, will I lose myself? Will I die? Will I lose the pipeline of nourishment as the tree would?

And I am brought back to reality with the thought that, in years to come, the moss will be doing better than me, the tree."

-Effie Mullins

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ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

James O'Dor



Farm Scape

Medium: Ceramic, Glass

Emerging artist

Price:
\$225

**2nd Place
Emerging**

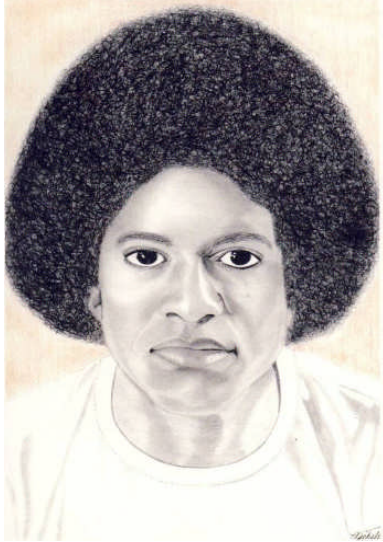
Norwalk, Ohio

Visual expression is James' most effective means of relating his creative spirit. In Artists' Open Studio he enjoys the opportunity to work with an assortment of art materials in both our Painting and Ceramic settings. He is very perceptive of his surroundings and his drawings are accurately detailed. This year, James has developed exceptional skill in interpreting his drawings into glistening mosaic tile art. Each piece requires hours of meticulous cutting, glazing, filling and assembling into his finished ceramic & glass art of very high quality. James lives in Norwalk and works at Christie Lane Industries.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Michelo Oliver



Michael Jackson

Medium: Pencil

Professional artist

Price:
\$80,500

Marion, Ohio

My name is Michael Oliver, a former fashion design illustrator, in the 70s and 80s becoming affiliated with popular entertainment bands such as James Brown's Band (The JB's), Parliament & Funkadelic, Chaka Khan & Rufus, The Bar-Kays, Con Funk Shon, and The Gap Band. On May 28, 1988, at the age of 33, I was involved in a major motor vehicle accident and suffered a severe Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) as a result of a drunk driver. In May 2004, I was diagnosed with Severe Major Depression (SMD), a brain disorder, a mental illness.

I am a brain injury (TBI) survivor, mental health consumer, advocate, and self-taught artist specializing in portrait drawings in pencil, and other art forms in pen and ink. I draw portraits of celebrities, African American leaders, cultural and civil rights icons, and local residents. I enjoy creating lasting impressions. I exhibit artwork to support my Traumatic Brain Injury and Mental Health Partnership & Collaborative Initiatives to raise awareness to individuals living with a diagnosis of brain injury and a mental illness, substance abuse disorders, children and adults with learning disabilities.

Using the arts as a vehicle, I have received recognition, awards, honors, and media coverage for my efforts to educate the public and portray persons with brain injuries, brain disorders, and other disabilities in a positive light at a local, state, and national level. My goal is to promote self-determination, empowerment, and to foster recovery and resiliency while improving the quality of life of people with disabilities and their families.

The exhibition of my work, and the work of artist like me, advocates against the discrimination and stigma associated with physical, cognitive and mental impairments and promotes awareness to a multiethnic and multicultural audience of diverse communities.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

James Pack



The Beauty of Woodwork

Medium: Mixed

Emerging artist

Price:
\$1,200

Columbus, Ohio

I view myself as a man of resounding greatness, who has overcome a lack of education and battled with medications to overcome my biological mental conditions. I received Scholastic Art Awards from CCAD while a student at Columbus Alternative High School in 1992 and a Recognition of Excellence in the 1991 Ohio Governor's Youth Art Exhibit. I live with passion, newly enjoying a breath of fresh air. I choose to excel in the glorious power Christ has given and now rejoice in my new life.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Stefanie Pierce



Welcome

Medium: Acrylic

Emerging artist

Price:
\$55

Carroll, Ohio

Stefanie Pierce, of Bremen, Ohio, lives with her family and works at Fairfield Industries during the week. She has been an artist in the Blue Shoe Arts studio since May 2006 and comes each Wednesday full of vim and vigor. Stefanie creates her pieces in acrylics on canvas and fabric as well as working in mixed-media. She loves to draw and paint special people in her life, dogs, cats and bears dressed in clothing, and anything about the Ohio State Buckeyes!! She's a big OSU fan.

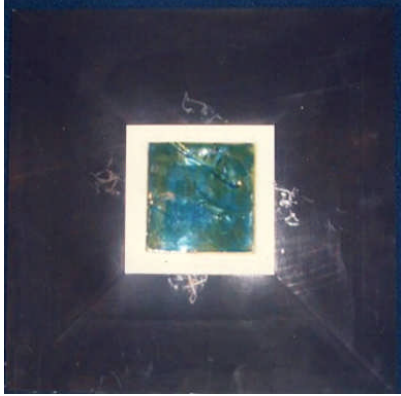
Stefanie brings a smile and lots of energy to our studio and usually announces to us what her upcoming weekend will bring...especially what food she'll be enjoying. Stefanie loves Wendy's chilli and fries and Frosty's, and loves pizza and spaghetti at home. One of her pieces recently has been an overhead view of a pizza pie with pepperoni, onions, mushrooms, green peppers and cheese on a saucy crust. Yum!!

This piece, "Welcome" was inspired when Stefanie saw this Colonial image on a hooked rug. When she heard what it meant many years ago (a symbol of welcome to visitors) she really wanted to do that. She hopes you enjoy this special little painting.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Dann Poling



Untitled 2

Price:
\$115

Medium: Framed Ceramic

Emerging artist

Maumee, Ohio

Dann lives in a Family Care Home and is supported by the staff of Sunshine Inc. of Northwest Ohio. Dann has always enjoyed art but only began working with clay this year. He and other artists with disabilities produce clay tiles in the Sunshine Art Studio. Although Dann has Cerebral Palsy, he is able to participate in all the steps of tile-making with assistance from the art room staff. The finished tiles are the result of the collaborative work of a number of artists. Dann reports that he loves working with clay because it is fun and soothing for his hands and keeps his hands busy.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Susan Post



Untitled

Price:
\$

Medium: Photograph

Emerging artist

Athens, Ohio

Susan Post lives and creates in Athens, Ohio. Susan is an active member of the Athens Photographic Project, an award winning, fine art program that provides photography as a resource for mental health recovery and community integration. Since 2000, APP artists have participated in 10-week photography classes, exhibited photographs statewide, and promoted public awareness and acceptance of mental health conditions.

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ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Tyler Powell

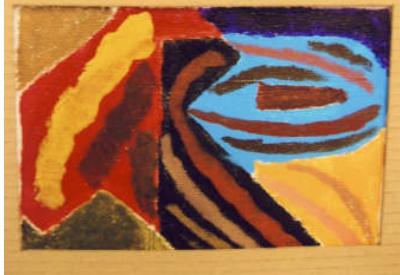


TP

Medium: Acrylic

Youth artist

Price:
\$60



Multifaceted

Medium: Oil Pastel

Price:
\$60

Johnstown, Ohio

My name is Tyler Powell and I am a senior at Johnstown-Monroe High School. I enjoy working on projects. Art lets me create and follow where my thoughts and ideas take me. I like that there is no right or wrong and I can be myself. Besides my studies I have played football, lifted weights, and am part of the walking club.

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ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Charity Rambo



Bride

Medium: Sculpture Mask

Emerging artist

Price:
Not for sale

Byesville, Ohio

Charity, with a visual impairment, allows nothing to hold her back. She is quite independent in all aspects. Charity has worked for Guernsey Industries in Byesville, Ohio for 4 years since her graduation from high school. She loves doing all and any crafts.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Donald Ramsey



Youth in Big Apple Cap

Price:
\$115

Medium: Acrylic, Pastel

Emerging artist

Columbus, Ohio

There is an artist, an inner artist, within each of us. By spontaneously “letting go” and playfully drawing, painting, carving etc., allows one to translate inner thoughts and emotions and beliefs onto paper, canvas, clay, wood, and other media.

I’ve been recording my dreams for over 25 years and I have gradually come to see that each of us are a million times vaster than any of our current psychologies teach. Mental illness, in whatever form, can be a catalyst in forcing the individual to look within and by doing so, self-knowledge is gained and contributes to healing and more humane understanding. “The Gospel of Thomas” states: “Rather, the kingdom is inside of you, and it is outside of you. When you come to know yourselves, then you will become known and you will realize that it is you who are the sons [and daughters] of the living Father.”

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Andrew Reach



I Dreamed I was Nine

Price:
Not for sale

Medium: Archival Digital Print

Professional artist

Cleveland, Ohio

At the heart of me will always be an Architect. But my path took a strange and difficult turn and I was severed from my profession just as construction began on my last building for the Frost Art Museum in Miami. Little did I know at the time that a journey paralleling Art Therapy would lead me to making art as my path to creative liberation. I have a disease of the spine known as Scheuermann's Kyphosis, a form of scoliosis where the spine curves forward. Over the years my curvature worsened to the point that surgery was required.

After a second surgery, feeling marooned while lying in a hospital bed and falling deeper into despair, my life partner encouraged me to try and create art on the computer during the limited time I could sit upright. I began teaching myself Photoshop so that I could have an outlet for my pent-up creativity. This was the beginning of an odyssey of self awareness and personal expression that continues in my work today. The ability to do my art is my refuge and personal oasis. In this place anything is possible. When I began learning Photoshop I was able to express both the pent-up feelings going on inside my head and the healing process happening inside my body. I also gained a sense of confidence and empowerment. As my work evolved I began to explore many world influences and interests, including Islamic art, African art, Aboriginal art and textile traditions from different cultures around the world to name a few.

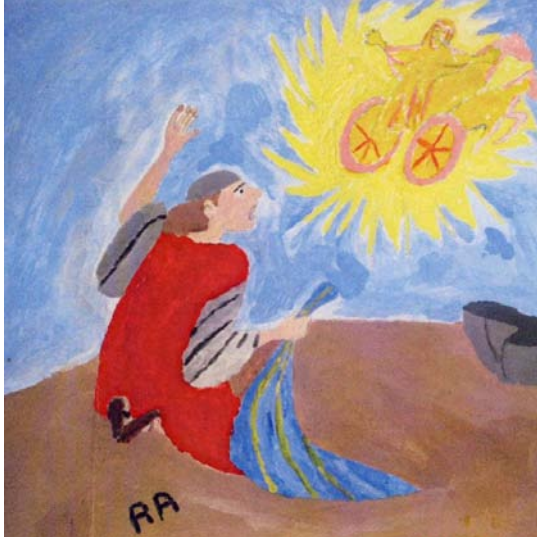
I also began creating creatures of my imagination I call WHIMSIES: carefree and unencumbered beings free of the constraints of gravity. They are symbols representing stand-ins for me. They move freely in ways that I'm not able to. My mind is able to soar through them, yet I'm just sitting in a chair at a computer moving my hand ever so delicately around. Much of these whimsy works are about motion, speed and the immediacy of being in the moment.

This notion of being in the immediacy of the moment has helped me create my newest series of works that explore the deep primal recesses of the mind's imagination merging with technology and intuitive mathematics. They are worked out in my mind when I'm in too much pain and unable to sit at the computer, often when I'm in a dream like state from taking pain medications. It's like a puzzle construct in my head that I then make myself figure out. I then sit at the computer and the process of using my mind to make the dream in my mind a reality begins to take me away from it all.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Robert Reeder



Elijah

Medium: Acrylic

Emerging artist

Price:
\$125

Columbus, Ohio

Robert has been painting for almost four years. He paints from a wheelchair due to a stroke. Robert's subject matter comes directly from the Bible. Earlier in his life, he had attended a seminary to become a pastor. Different circumstances led Robert in a different direction; these images are his "sermons in paint." In a short period of the time, Robert has had his work shown at the Art Ability Show in Pennsylvania and the gallery at Adrian College in Adrian Michigan.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Deena Reichard



At home in the dogwood

Price:
\$90

Medium: Acrylic

Emerging artist

Carroll, Ohio

Deena Reichard, of Lancaster, Ohio, has been working in the Blue Shoe Arts studio since May 2006 and continues to grow in her talent of visual art. She is a romantic by nature and enjoys creating scenes that are reminiscent of earlier times and of nature. Deena had the privilege of receiving a scholarship to attend a few weeks of watercolor classes at the Decorative Arts Center of Ohio and has applied some of what she learned to her acrylic paintings on canvas.

Deena is very committed to her craft, coming to the studio two days each week and focusing the entire time on her current project. She enjoys working with lots of different colors and continues to improve in the areas of composition, color balance, blending and shadow work. She sketches each idea on large paper first and then transfers it to canvas before applying any paint. Her themes range from exotic animals to backyard critters, florals to Victorian settings, Christmas kitties to night time landscapes.

This piece entitled "At Home in the Dogwood" places a robin outside its birdhouse hanging in a dogwood tree. Deena loves the flowering trees at springtime, especially the delicate flowers of the dogwood tree.

It is a pleasure to work with Deena in the Blue Shoe Arts studio and we look forward to many happy years with her.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Paul Reininga



*Lakeside
Perspective*

Price:
\$120

Medium: Photograph

Emerging artist

Athens, Ohio

“Consider with me the endeavor of capturing Dow Lake early in the morning. My time was limited to a few hours and my morning was picked out of necessity. Surprised by the morning fog, I approached and started to let the sun come up. Loving the deep color of green, that goes with brown...much of this picture reflects a probable visual wildlife picture; geese, fish, and plants of all varieties. A cultural, constructed environment, but nice to see as it is wild in part and natural.”

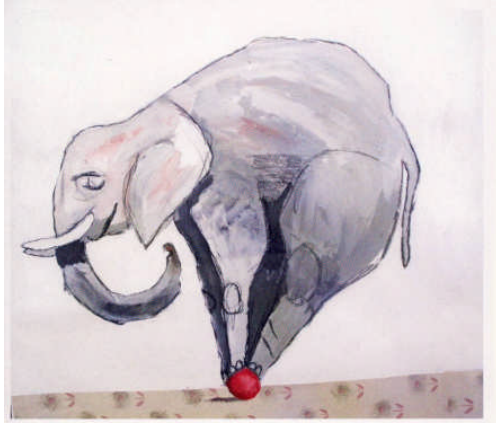
-Paul Reininga

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ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Susann Rhodes



Grace in Motion

Price:
\$175

Medium: Acrylic

Professional artist



*Giraffe Devouring
Flower*

Price:
\$175

Medium: Mixed Media

Columbus, Ohio

Susann is a self-taught artist with Cerebral Palsy, organic mental disorder, and nystagmus. Susann paints using various resources for her subject matter; this is done to present different views of reality for the viewer. Susann has exhibited work at the ArtWorks Gallery, Acme Gallery, VSA exhibits, Art Ability, the Sister Kenny Art Show, The Cultural Arts Center, and various conferences throughout the state.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Tony Ringholz



Ringwood's

Medium: Acrylic

Emerging artist

Price:
\$60

Norwalk, Ohio

I started Artists' Open Studio in 2007, and now I attend Painting Studio full time. I enjoy sketching outdoors. The painting I have entered is my first acrylic painting. It is a painting inspired by my trip to the Grand Canyon with my family. The flowers are cactus blossoms on the rim trail. I work at Christie Lane Industries and I live in Norwalk

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Stephen Rounthwaite



Cut in Half

Price:
\$120

Medium: Photograph

Emerging artist

Athens, Ohio

“In
Bigger cities
Chem Trails
Are
So many
Sometimes
So much
It’s hard
To see
Any
But,
Out here,
Out here
So far,
So far
Away
They cut
Blue Skies
In half”

-Stephen Rounthwaite

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ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Julie Schuster



Dark Haired Girl

Medium: Acrylic

Professional artist

Price:
\$220

**3rd Place
Emerging**

Swanton, Ohio

Julie Schuster is a self-taught artist. She does charity work as well as teaching art to children and adults.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Paula Shumaker



Daisy Patch & Friends

Price:
\$75

Medium: Acrylic

Emerging artist

Carroll, Ohio

Paula Shumaker, of Lancaster, Ohio, has been an artist in the Blue Shoe Arts studio since May of 2006. Paula is a lovely mature lady who is very involved in the world around her and pays attention to the other artists, often complimenting their work. She is a very wise person and usually has some words of wisdom for those who come by to visit in the studio or at an art show. Paula mostly enjoys doodling in complex arrangements, giving a gentle flow to her creations. She has, however, been expanding her artistic talents to more concrete images during the past year, creating turtles (in turtle soup), flowers, lady bugs and butterflies. She works slowly and meticulously, blending colors and adding swirls and circles to the background.

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ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Mary Slisher



*Rodney the Wonder
Rooster*

Price:
\$125

Medium: Mixed Media

Emerging artist

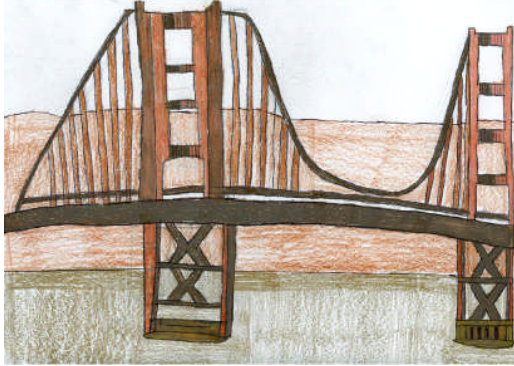
Carroll, Ohio

Mary Slisher, of Lancaster, Ohio, lives at home with her mother. She has been an artist in the Blue Shoe Arts studio since May 2006 and is an amazing “graphic style” artist. We believe that Mary is so visual in her thinking that she actually visualizes her picture onto the canvas and then basically traces her vision. She is able to draw without looking at anything for inspiration...it all comes from her head. Several of Mary’s favorite themes include food items, butterflies, dogs, cats, birds and little people. She loves bright cheery colors and often creates interesting backgrounds by painting swirls, lines or circles. This piece entitled “Rodney the Wonder Rooster” is a mixed-media piece featuring an acrylic painting on canvas with the addition of buttons, beads and sequins.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Tim Smith



*San Francisco
Bridge*

Price:
\$45

Medium: Colored Pencil

Emerging artist

Norwalk, Ohio

Tim is a charter member of Artists' Open Studio Painting Studio. He has always been intrigued with detail in his drawing and painting. He spends much time observing a subject and perfecting his representational work with architectural, portrait or floral themes. Tim prefers colored pencil and /or fine markers for creating his work on small formats. Tim received a Proclamation from the Huron County Commissioners last spring for his participation in the VSA 2009 Exhibit. Tim works at Christie Lane Industries in Norwalk.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Marie Sowers



Alvin's Chipmonk Trio

Price:
\$50

Medium: Acrylic

Emerging artist

Carroll, Ohio

Marie Sowers, of Lancaster, Ohio, has been in the Blue Shoe Arts studio since it's beginning in July 2004. She came to us as a young vivacious lady who loved to create art in lots of different mediums. This continues to be the case today. Marie works in acrylic on canvas, wood, metal and fabric, found object sculpture, mixed-media, plaster and makes dolls and jewelry. She is untrained in visual art and has that natural God-given talent that continues to surprise and amaze everyone. Marie's work has been exhibited and sold in numerous galleries and at art shows across the state and in Los Angeles. Her use of color and texture, balance and yet freedom of placement all combine to make interesting pieces that seem to draw you in even as they burst away from the canvas. This piece, "Alvin's Chipmonk Trio" takes us back to those little cartoon high-pitched characters loved by all. She has captured the energy and color of these favorite little chipmonks as they play their way into our hearts. It is a pleasure to have Marie in our studio as one of the accomplished artists mentoring others along the way.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Mike Stepler



Barge in Orange

Price:
\$25

Medium: light wood sculpture

Emerging artist

Byesville, Ohio

Mike is friendly and is always looking for ways to please. Mike likes his work at Guernsey Industries in Byesville, Ohio and has been employed there since high school graduation

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Danika Swagler



*Still Life with
Flowers*

Price:
\$110

Medium: Acrylic

Emerging artist

Cincinnati, Ohio

Danika works primarily in drawing medium and acrylic paint. Using a representational graphic stylistic approach she will recreate floral and other seasonal images. Danika is methodic and very concerned with line, all of her work reflects this quality and she continues to grow in technical precision.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Margaret Traband



Broken

Medium: Glass

Emerging artist

Price:
Not for sale

Holland, Ohio

Ms. Traband has twelve years of experience working with glass. She graduated from Bowling Green State University with a Bachelor's of Art in 2005 and currently is working on her MBA from the University of Toledo. Currently, she is working at the University of Toledo in the Department of Research Development.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Molly Traylor



Oils

Medium: Oils

Emerging artist

Price:
Not for sale

Urbana, Ohio

Molly is very family oriented and loves spending time with her two nieces. Molly enjoys taking classes such as those in art and computer. In art class, she paints with bold, vibrant colors, sometimes using a brush. At other times, she splatters paint over her work area to create her paintings. In computer class she enjoys making greeting cards for her friends and family. Molly is a very patient person who is frequently seen laughing.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Tom Varner



*Untitled - Young Men
in Uniform*

Price:
\$120

Medium: Photograph

Emerging artist

Athens, Ohio

Tom Varner lives and creates in Athens, Ohio. Tom is an active member of the Athens Photographic Project, an award winning, fine art program that provides photography as a resource for mental health recovery and community integration. Since 2000, APP artists have participated in 10-week photography classes, exhibited photographs statewide, and promoted public awareness and acceptance of mental health conditions.

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ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Shari Veleba



*Malabar Farm Pond,
Ohio*

Price:
Not for
sale

Medium: Digital Photograph

Emerging artist



*September Sunrise,
Ohio Statehouse*

Price:
Not for
sale

Medium: Digital Photograph

Columbus, Ohio

Shari is a professional writer and editor based on Columbus. She enjoys photographing nature throughout Ohio and has lived in the Northeast, Northwest, Southeast, and central areas of the state. Valeba is a long-time advocate for people with disabilities

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Tina Viviano



Mask o' Leaves

Medium: Polymer Clay

Emerging artist

Price:
Not for sale

Swanton, Ohio

Tina is an emerging young artist who works in numerous mediums; her favorite being acrylic painting. This year, Tina decided to expand her creativeness to polymer clay.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Fred Wagner



Evil Bidding

Price:
\$40

Medium: Marker

Emerging artist

Norwalk, Ohio

Fred is active in both Artists' Open Studio Painting and Ceramic Studios and is sure to be the first one to arrive at studio meetings. In Painting Studio, his medium of choice is marker. His subjects are often architectural. Fred's skill in handling clay in Ceramic Studio earned him recognition by the Huron County Commissioners for his participation in the VSA 2009 Exhibit. His designs are truly his own artistic statements and the names he gives his art reflect his interest in movies and video games. Fred lives in Norwalk.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Mike Weber



Orange Invasion

Price:
\$110

Medium: Acrylic

Emerging artist

Cincinnati, Ohio

Mike Weber is an abstract artist who works primarily in the acrylic paint medium. He is progressing toward a graphic delineation that defines an organic or geometric shape that within holds a kaleidoscopic color pattern. This pattern is manufactured in a process that Mike defines as “sandwich art” smashing two paint covered surfaces together like a sandwich to mix color and create the finished product. The works are reminiscent of the fourth dimensional abstracts of Roberto Matta, in that the viewer has the impression that we are looking through certain parts of the painting into another dimension of the world. When not making art at Visionaries & Voices, Michael works with his brother-in-law at his photography studio and the Contemporary Art Center. Mike has been an Artist in Residence at Seven Hills and is also a very active participant in workshop leadership and curatorial at Visionaries & Voices.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Steven S. Weilbacher



Circulus

Medium: Pencil, pen, ink

Emerging artist

Price:
negotiable

Columbus, Ohio

“The pen draws me...”, is how Steven S. Weilbacher, et al; a disabled Columbus, Ohio artist, describes his “Psychovisual images”: abstract, pencil, pen, ink, and rapidograph art; usually working on 14”x17” and 19”x 24”, 100 lb. Vellum/Bristol laminates. His influences range from life itself; to the works of Dali, Disney, Escher, Max, and Warhol. In addition to art, Steve is a self-published poet and lyricist; who’s done poetry readings, statewide; his art and literary works published or appearing in various publications and on the internet. When not collaborating with local and regional bands supplying original Blues, Country, Rock, R & B and inspirational material; photographing same in 35 mm, reproducing same into original art for CD’s, band logos and web design. He also assists bands for preparation and registration of Federal Copyright protection and service/ Trademark/ logo registration. Consultations are by appointment only. Because of Steve’s religious convictions, he does not participate in juried or judged exhibits/publications of his art or literary works. A self-taught artist/poet/lyricist, Steve believes his gifts to be God-given; therefore he has declined several highly visible exhibitions/publications due to his strict policy of equal consideration only. Additionally, he declines to pay for consideration of exhibition or entry fees to exhibit same, unless disability fee waivers/sliding scale income is considered; excluding non-profit organizations.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Chele White



The Color Purple

Medium: Acrylic

Emerging artist

Price:
Not for sale

Urbana, Ohio

Chele has been creating art since 2000. Her paintings have toured Ohio through Key Bank's Accessible Expressions Ohio (AEO) since she began entering work in 2000. She has received several ribbons from the local fair in the Fine Arts Division and has work exhibited locally through the arts counsel. She has been mentioned or featured for her work in the visual arts in several newspaper articles and other publications. Chele has taken many art classes to increase her skills as an artist and enjoys working in acrylic and mixed media. Chele spent time volunteering at her local YMCA in the daycare area. She stays very involved with advocacy for people with disabilities by attending local chapter meetings of People First of Ohio as their secretary in the past at her work place advisory board. Her interests include spending time with her boyfriend whom she began dating in 1990, attending social events, computer graphics, shopping and spending time with family and friends.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Sandy White



Poetic Dancing

Price:
\$120

Medium: Photograph

Emerging artist

Athens, Ohio

“My photographic journey for the last year has been about how to show my emotions, and how to make images very uniquely mine. This journey has lead me to taking many double and multiple images, and I love the challenge of doing this on film.” -Sandy White Sandy White lives and creates in Athens, Ohio. Sandy is an active member of the Athens Photographic Project, an award winning, fine art program that provides photography as a resource for mental health recovery and community integration. Since 2000, APP artists have participated in 10-week photography classes, exhibited photographs statewide, and promoted public awareness and acceptance of mental health conditions.

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ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Joel Whittaker



Price:
\$110

Mountains and Water

Medium: Mixed Media

Emerging artist

Cincinnati, Ohio

Joel has maintained a working style that has developed into among the most productive of artists at the Visionaries & Voices studios. Working for decades as a painter is one of the most prolific artists in the Visionaries & Voices studios. He works on painting 4 whole days per week and is supported at home as he works there as well. Joel reminisces about his family and the time they spent traveling in an RV across the country. All of his landscapes are memories of places he has been or places he would like to see. Using acrylic on panel or canvas he will accurately depict stunning visuals of nature's beautiful landscapes. He seems driven toward perfection in every piece and contemplates methodically every brushstroke. The results are evident to the viewer as they respond immediately in wonder.

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ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Tanya Whyde



Friendship

Medium: Photograph

Emerging artist

Price:
\$120

Athens, Ohio

“I see things differently with the camera. I feel more aware, confident, happy and I notice more. I like to take pictures of people. Photography makes me think about the most important things in my life, my friends, husband, and family. I feel it is an important job to capture the memories of the people in my life.”

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ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Paul Wilbur



The Storm

Price:
\$280

Medium: Photograph

Professional artist

**2nd Place
Professional**



The Road

Price:
\$280

Medium: Photograph

Columbus, Ohio

Paul Wilbur received a BFA in Photography from Ohio University in 1981. After graduation, his photography fell by the wayside. About 10 years ago Wilbur experienced the effects of Bi-Polar Disorder. No longer able to work on a full-time basis he retired on permanent disability. Within the past 5-6 years with greater personal acceptance of his condition and help from medication, he picked up his passion of photography again. "With my photography degree from OU I learned to be a very technical photographer," said Wilbur. "But, it wasn't until I had worked with MRDD individuals for 13 years and experienced my own disability that I was able to capture emotions in the pictures I take. Many of the subjects in my photos are people on the fringes of society. I take the time to talk to the person as an individual and get to know them. I want the photo to portray who that person is as an individual." As well as portraying an emotionally interesting subject matter, Wilbur looks for his photos to create movement. He achieves this movement by his choice of color, lighting, and texture, which draws the viewer's eyes into and around the different elements of the photo. Wilbur wants to continue to develop as a photographer creating new work. It has always been his dream to do what he is doing, and he is enjoying it. He is extremely active in displaying his work throughout Ohio and is pursuing an MFA in Fine Arts Photography.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Jill Wolfe



Cozy Christmas

Price:
\$330

Medium: Acrylic

Emerging artist

Urbana, Ohio

Jill has been creating art since 1999. Several of her paintings have toured Ohio through Key Bank's Accessible Expressions Ohio (AEO) since she began entering work in 1999. She has received several ribbons from the local fair in the Fine Arts Division. In 2003, she received Best of Show for her piece, "Lighthouse with Dolphins" in the professional category in her local fair. She has work exhibited locally through the arts counsel. Jill received a cash award from The Rehabilitation Services Commission of Ohio (RSCO) when they choose her sculpture, "Circles", as the winning piece in a contest they sponsored in 1999. Her piece was copied five times in metal and was given as the award in RSC's yearly award banquet for the next five years. She has been mentioned or featured for her work in the visual arts in several newspaper articles and other publications. In 2003, Jill was commissioned by the Ohio Statehouse to paint a piece depicting the Ohio State Capital Building. Jill has taken many art classes to increase her skills as an artist and enjoys working in pen & ink, acrylic, marker, oils and also enjoys making crafts. Jill spent several years volunteering at her local YMCA in the daycare area. She stays very involved with advocacy for people with disabilities by attending local chapter meetings of People First of Ohio and her workplace advisory board. Her interests include crafts, the Internet, computer graphics and mosaic art.

EXHIBIT CATALOG

ACCESSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OHIO 2010

Kim Wolfe



*A Deer in the
Mountains*

Price:
\$290

Medium: Acrylic

Emerging artist

Urbana, Ohio

Kim has been creating art since 1999. Several of her paintings have toured Ohio through Key Bank's Accessible Expressions Ohio (AEO) since she began entering work in 1999. She has received several ribbons from the local fair in the Fine Arts Division and has work exhibited locally through the arts counsel. Kim has taken many art classes to increase her skills as an artist and enjoys working in pen & ink, acrylic, marker, oils and also enjoys making crafts. Kim has been mentioned or featured for her work in the visual arts in several newspaper articles and other publications. She spends time volunteering at her local YMCA at the front desk. Her interests include crafts, the Internet, computer graphics, mosaic art and sports.