DuPage Invitational SCULPTURE & 3-D Art Show

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Third Annual DuPage Invitational Sculpture & 3-D Art Show Highlights Inspiration

Established and Student Artists Show Great Passion for Work

Lombard, IL—The third annual DuPage Invitational Sculpture & 3-D Art Show juried show was held May 7, 2011 in Lombard's beautiful Lilacia Park. Lombard's Village President, William "Bill" Mueller, Honorary Chairpersons Illinois Rep. Chris Nybo and Regional Superintendent of Schools Dr. Darlene Ruscitti welcomed 25 DuPage County art students and professional artists who specialize in the three-dimensional art and sculpture media. Several artists were awarded cash prizes and scholarships for their efforts.

Among the winners were, in the High School Student catagory:

1st Place: Viktoria Palacios, Neuqua Valley High School, Naperville for "Opus 8"
2nd Place: Kevin Wei, Neuqua Valley High School, Naperville for "Founder"
3rd Place: Cameron Kuniej, Neuqua Valley High School, Naperville for "Primal Form"
Honorable Mention: Willowbrook High School 3-D Art Class, Villa Park,
Teacher, Mr. John Epple for "Twig Installation"

College Student Artist Winners:
1st Place: Jeremy J. Foy, Elmhurst College for "Distilled"
2nd Place: Todd Suhs, Elmhurst College for "Carpet & Rugs"
3rd Place: Katy Luxion, Memphis College of Art, (a Glen Ellyn native) for "My Cathedral"
Honorable Mention: Natalie Rocque, Elmhurst College for "Tree Platter"

Established Artist Winners:
1st Place: Mr. Dustan Creech, Elmhurst for "Deeper in Debt"
2nd Place: Ms. Patricia Brutchin, Lake-in-the-Hills, (employed in Woodridge) for "Calliope"
3rd Place: Mr. Shelly Weiser, Naperville for "Yuan Lin–Chinese Goddess of Mercy"

"This had to be our best show yet," said Laura Fitzpatrick, DuPage Invitational Sculpture & 3-D Art Show Chair. "Our participation grew—as did the creativity of the artists," she said. "We are so fortunate to have excellent art programs in DuPage County as well as artists who continue to hone and develop their craft into spectacular works of art for us all to enjoy."

Among the many participants involved in the DuPage Invitational are the Lombard Arts Coalition, Friends of the DuPage Theatre, Lombard Park District and the Village of Lombard. Honorary Chairperson is Rep. Chris Nybo. Other committee members include Mimi Tolkin, Sharon Vish, Pete Kramer and Lombard Park District Program Manager, Jackie Brzezinski. Sponsors of the sculpture show included Waste Management, Klein Thorpe & Jenkins, Inland Bank, Union Pacific Railroad, the Lombard Westin Hotel and Quik Impressions.

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