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The 2009 Sooke Fine Arts Show Announces Winners

Sooke, BC – July 24 – The winners for the 2009 Sooke Fine Arts Show were announced Friday evening at the gala Artists' Celebration. \$11,000 in prizes were awarded to sixteen artists from Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands. Seven hundred sponsors, artists and their guests crowded the SEAPARC arena which has been transformed into an elegant gallery for the run of the show. This year's Best in Show Award for \$2000 went to photographer Cim MacDonald for her stunning photo "Clematis". The list of all awards follows:

Best In Show

sponsored by the Community of Sooke

"Clematis"

Cim Macdonald

Best 2D

sponsored by the Victoria Airport Authority

"The Soloist"

Henriette Tibbs

Best 3D

sponsored by Island Vacation Homes

"When we were young girls,
we made our clothes from scratch"

Beverly Petow

Best Photography

sponsored by Island Blue Print Co.,Ltd

"Tainted Love"

Jennifer Callioux

Best Jewellery

**sponsored by SunRiver Estates/
Citta Construction**

"West Coast Hummingbird"

Brett Borrie

Best Ceramic/Glass

sponsored by KB Design

"Giant"

Tina Fyfe

Best Fibre/Mixed Media
sponsored by RE/MAX Camosun
“Eastern Meditation”
Margit Huszar

Juror’s Choice Awards
sponsored by Sooke Community Arts Council

Juror’s Choice - Peter Symcox
“Russian Sakura”
Evguenia Ioganov

Juror’s Choice – Doug Udell
“A Serious Effort”
Iris Nardini

Juror’s Choice – Victor Arcega
“Ucky”
J. Neil Newton

Honorable Mentions
sponsored by Lûxe Home Interiors

“Fruit in the Desert”
Horst-g Loewel

“Garry Oak Rocker”
Rusty Sage

“Autumn Pond”
Alan Kohut

Sheila Mather
“The Wild Yukon”

“Easter”
Ruby Eileen Simrose

Committee’s Choice Award
sponsored by the Sooke Fine Arts Society
“Cottage Country”
Therese Johnston

Two final awards, the People’s Choice and Children’s Choice awards, sponsored by the West Shore Arts Council, are voted on by visitors to the show and will be awarded at the close of the show after the ballots are tallied.

The 2009 Sooke Fine Arts Show runs for ten days, from Saturday July 25 through Monday August 3. Show hours are 10 am until 8 pm daily, later for special events, with the show closing at 6 pm on August 3. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for seniors, with children under 12 free when accompanied by an adult. Further information is available at www.sookefinearts.com.

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The Sooke Fine Arts Society presents the Sooke Fine Arts Show, the premier juried fine arts show on Vancouver Island, each summer. The Society, a volunteer, non-profit organization founded in 2006, promotes awareness of the visual arts and appreciation for local artists from Vancouver Island and Gulf Islands.

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