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49th Annual Beverly Hills Art Show Announces Winners

Estimated 30,000 Visitors Attend Weekend Art Show Showcasing 150 Artists



Pictured are Beverly Hills Art Show winners 1 to r: Marshall Vanderhoof, Brit Hansen, Sean Hill, Leeza Taylor, Kristin Brin, Merissa Mann, Matt Budish, Andrea Haffner, David Greenhalgh, Jennifer Del Barrio, Fay Miller & Ivan Grajalez, Fred Stodder, Anna Choi

Beverly Hills, Calif. – The bi-annual Beverly Hills Art Show, held on Sat. & Sun., May 21 & 22, brought an estimated 30,000 arts lovers to Beverly Gardens Park, where 150 artists exhibited their work in the open outdoors along three blocks of Beverly Gardens Park on Santa Monica Boulevard.

As one of the largest and most prestigious art shows in Southern California, the Beverly Hills Art Show featured a multitude of diverse artists in mediums including sculpture, glass, jewelry, photography, painting, ceramics and more. Though there are many beloved artists who appear at each show every year, this spring's edition featured 39 first-time artists. Though mostly from Southern California, artists also came from Colorado, Idaho, Tennessee, Utah, and Arizona.

As is the tradition, the Mayor of the City of Beverly Hills, through the Mayor's Choice Award, is able to select a piece of new art for installation at one of the City's public facilities to add to the City's Public Art Collection. The Mayor's Choice Award was established to affirm the City's support of the arts and its commitment to the cultural community.

"We are thrilled to be able to showcase so many talented artists in Beverly Hills each year," said Jenny Rogers, Director of City of Beverly Hills Community Services. "As the world emerges out COVID, we are reminded how important it is to provide the creative community such an important large-scaled event on behalf of the creative artists who are selected and the residents of Beverly Hills."

For each Beverly Hills Art Show, special awards and recognitions are given to participating artists. A special panel is tasked with the selection, and this year's awardees for the 2022 Spring Beverly Hills Art Show are:

SPECIAL CATEGORY WINNERS

- Mayor's Choice Award TBD
- Best of Show Matt Budish
- Gil Borgos Award for Originality Andrea Haffner
- Best Art Display Fred Stodder
- Best New Artist Jennifer Del Barrio

FIRST PLACE WINNERS

- Ceramics Fred Stodder
- Digital Art Leeza Taylor
- Drawings and Printmaking Brit Hansen
- Glass Fay Miller & Ivan Grajalez
- Jewelry Sean Hill
- Mixed Media Two Dimensional Anna Choi
- Mixed media Three Dimensional David Greenhalgh
- Painting Kristin Brin
- Photography Marshall Vanderhoof
- Sculpture Matt Budish
- Watercolor Merissa Mann

The Beverly Hills Art Show is bi-annual event produced by the City of Beverly Hills Community Services Department. All activities occur at the historic Beverly Gardens Park and admission to both days is –as always- free. Artists are encouraged to apply in June for a juried spot in the upcoming 2022 Fall Beverly Hills Art Show, which will be held Sat. & Sun., October 15 & 16, 2022.

For more information, please visit <u>www.beverlyhills.org/artshow</u> or call (310) 285-6830. For media inquiries, contact Dana Beesen at dbeesen@beverlyhills.org or call (310) 285-2530.