



## News for Immediate Release

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### **State Museum of Pennsylvania Announces Finalists for Annual Art of the State Exhibition, Awards Set for June 16**

**Harrisburg** – Finalists have been announced for the “Art of the State: Pennsylvania 2012,” an exhibition showcasing the talent, creativity and diversity of Pennsylvania’s established and emerging artists.

It opens to the public on Sunday, June 17, at The State Museum of Pennsylvania. The 45<sup>th</sup> annual exhibit runs through Sept. 9 and includes 129 works of art by 115 artists from 30 counties. This year’s exhibit received 1,836 entries from 680 artists.

First-, second- and third-place honors are awarded in painting, photography, sculpture, craft and works on paper. Cash awards for each category are \$500 for first place, \$300 for second and \$200 for third. In addition, the William D. Davis Memorial Award for Drawing, the Rose Roy Memorial Award and The State Museum of Pennsylvania Purchase Award are selected.

Prizes will be awarded at a special Artists’ Reception to be held Saturday, June 16 at The State Museum. The winners will be announced via Twitter @PHMC at 7 p.m., immediately following the awards ceremony.

The exhibit is co-sponsored by The State Museum and The Greater Harrisburg Arts Council, which present more than \$7,000 in cash awards to the winners.

The State Museum of Pennsylvania, adjacent to the State Capitol in Harrisburg, is one of 25 historic sites and museums administered by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission as part of the Pennsylvania Trails of History®. The State Museum offers expansive collections interpreting Pennsylvania’s fascinating heritage. With exhibits examining the dawn of geologic time, the Native American experience, the colonial and revolutionary eras, a pivotal Civil War battleground, and the Commonwealth’s vast industrial age, The State Museum demonstrates that Pennsylvania’s story is America’s story.

Museum hours are Wednesday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, noon to 5 p.m. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$4 for children and senior citizens.

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**Editor’s Note:** The artists selected to exhibit at the 2012 Art of the State competition are listed by county:

**Adams**

Jessica Paholsky

**Allegheny**

Kirby Kreiger

Patrick Lee

Czsuzsi Matolcsy

Wesley Smith

**Bedford**

George Radeschi

**Berks**

Franklin Fretz

**Blair**

Dave Hammaker

**Bucks**

Paula Everitt

John Mathews

Mark Pettegrow

Robert Small

**Cambria**

Kathleen Kase-Burk

**Centre**

Diane Paroda

Stephen Tuttle

Mary Vollero

**Chester**

Barbara Grant

William Hill

Mary Kane

**Cumberland**

Kim Banister

Geoff Crego

Howard Eberle

Deborah Feller

Daniel Finch

Guy Freeman

Erica Gersic

John Hassler

Robert Hirschhorn

R. Andrew Hoff

Patricia Lambert Marshall  
Julie Ober  
Heather Shelley  
Donald Uvick  
Bob Willis  
Erma Martin Yost

**Dauphin**

Joel Anderson  
Jeff Bye  
Joanne Finkle  
Ted Walke

**Delaware**

Toni Kersey  
Jason Rowles  
Peter Smyth  
Dganit Zauberman

**Erie**

Jamie Borowicz  
Karen Ernst  
Sarah Everett  
Tom Hubert

**Fayette**

David DiPietro

**Lackawanna**

William Maile  
Michelle Montes  
Harold Zabady

**Lancaster**

Denny Bond  
Carol Galligan  
P B Hewitt  
Richard Kent  
Shalya Marsh  
Jana Millstone  
Amedeo Salamoni  
Mimi Shapiro  
Ellen Slupe  
Annie Strickler  
Janette Toth

**Lawrence**

Rabecca Signoriello

**Lebanon**

Eva Stina Bender  
Ralph Hlavacek

**Lehigh**

Barry Assed  
Gini Illick  
Nathan Marzen

**Luzerne**

Ed Jones  
Brien Keller  
Stephen Ruch

**Montgomery**

David Moyer  
G. Heinze Moyer  
Laszlo Bagi  
Jorj Bauer  
Jupi Das  
Karen Freedman  
Linda Dubin Garfield  
Lorraine Glessner  
Mike Hale  
Patricia Shaw Lima  
Justin Snow  
Bill Strouse  
Anthony Tammoro

**Northampton**

Andrea Rincon  
Bruce Ward

**Perry**

Erin Sparler

**Philadelphia**

Jena Campbell  
Peter Cunicelli  
Robin Frey  
Paul Hamanaka  
Linda Johnson  
Emilie Keim  
Nancy Middlebrook  
Mimi Oritsky  
Carolyn Pyform  
Laura Ramos  
Robert Solomon

Sabina Tichindeleanu  
Jason Ward  
Russell Williams

**Schuykill**

Audrey Bordonaro

**Union**

Elizabeth James Fickes

**Washington**

Peter West

**Westmoreland**

Ronald Nigro

**York**

Jim Crowley  
Jonathan Frazier  
Michele Gototweski  
Robert Hartson  
Richard Chandler Hoff  
Penelope Hornock  
Stephen March  
Jo Margolis  
Carol Oldenburg  
Catherine Prescott

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