



The Society of Bluffton Artists Annual Judged Member Show held its awards presentation and reception on Sunday May 11, with a full house of artists and admirers. This year's judge, acclaimed artist and art professor from SCAD Daniel E. Smith, gave a thoughtful and concise explanation of why each of his choices were made. The awards, presented in five categories, were as follows:

BEST OF SHOW - The Tree Nymph - Mary Ann Putzier (left)

Oil

1st Place - Murray Sease - Wash Down

2nd Place - Mike Nicastre - The Watcher

Honorable Mention - Heidi Fearon - My Lagoon

Acrylic

1st Place - Frank Pinto - Buttons

2nd Place - Barbara Teschner - Hand in Hand

Honorable Mention - Stephen Moscowitz - Day Dreamer

Watercolor

1st Place - Don Theodore - View of the River

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2nd Place - Dee Johnson - Iris'Ez

Honorable Mention - Pat Wilund - Poppies

Photography

1st Place - Ed Funk - John Boat

2nd Place - Robert Weissman - Coyote Buttes Sandstone

Honorable Mention - Joseph Wolfe - Old Faithful

Other

1st Place - Mary Sullivan - Gravitas

2nd Place - Marsha Leinberger - Triad

Honorable Mention - Nona Rooney - The Prayer Wheel

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