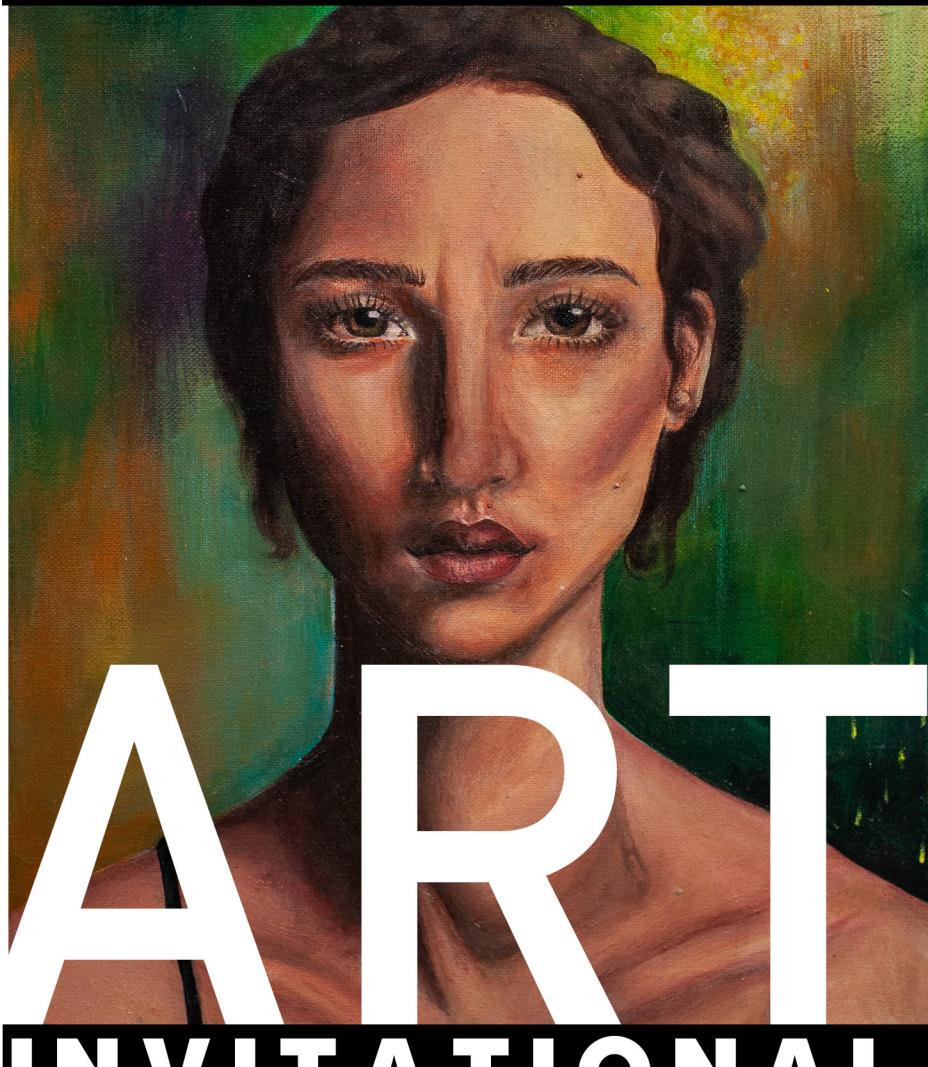


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Awardees:

BEST OF SHOW (\$500):

(Continental) Emerson Wollom, *Portrait of a Lady*



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1st PLACE (\$300):

(Lima Senior) A'najiah Harris, *Rihanna*

2nd PLACE (\$200):

(Van Wert) Brenna Kimmet, *Wired Wasteland*

3rd PLACE (\$100):

(Bryan) Nathaniel Ridgeway, *The Judge*

HONORABLE MENTIONS:

(Crestview) Quintin Adam, *Interpretation of Oneself*

(Lima Senior) Yarah Al-Hisah, *On Air*

(Bryan) Jaden Kaullen, *Leisure Day*

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(Miller City) Julia Recker, *Brewtiful Morning*

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Bryan:

	Name	Title	Media	Price
BR001	Barnes, Sarah	<i>Ocean Tide</i>	Ceramic	NFS
BR002	Burton, Henry	<i>By the Seaside</i>	Ceramic	\$100
BR003	Cummins, Elijah	<i>Ocean-side Dune</i>	Ceramic	NFS
BR004	Huard, Eleanor	<i>Saturation Levels</i>	Acrylic	NFS
BR005	Kaullen, Jaden	<i>Leisure Day</i>	Oil	NFS
BR006	Kaullen, Jaden	<i>Part of That World</i>	Ceramic	\$75
BR007	Knott, Ian	<i>Berzerker</i>	Ceramic	NFS
BR008	Knott, Ian	<i>Schizo Phrenia</i>	Ceramic	NFS
BR009	Knott, Ian	<i>Woodland Spirit Jar</i>	Ceramic	\$85
BR010	Lucas, Apple	<i>God of Night!</i>	Ceramic	\$350
BR011	Ridgeway, Nathaniel	<i>Topographical</i>	Ceramic	\$199
BR012	Ridgeway, Nathaniel	<i>Labyrinth</i>	Ceramic	\$350
BR013	Ridgeway, Nathaniel	<i>The Judge</i>	Ceramic	NFS
BR014	Ridgeway, Nathaniel	<i>RAKU CRACKU</i>	Ceramic	\$150
BR015	Saltzman, Ashlyn	<i>Minnie</i>	Charcoal	NFS
BR016	Shy, Logan	<i>Revelations</i>	Ceramic	NFS
BR017	Sleesman, Nolan	<i>Nebula</i>	Ceramic	NFS
BR018	Sleesman, Nolan	<i>Mediterranean Dream</i>	Ceramic	NFS
BR019	Sleesman, Nolan	<i>Midnight Sky</i>	Ceramic	NFS
BR020	Sleesman, Nolan	<i>River Down The Mountian</i>	Ceramic	\$200
BR021	Thiel, Kelsie	<i>Escape</i>	Charcoal	NFS

Continental:

	Name	Title	Media	Price
CT001	Boecker, Kaylee	<i>Pumpkin "Splice"</i>	Ceramic, Mixed Media	NFS
CT002	Boecker, Kaylee	<i>Illumination</i>	Charcoal	NFS
CT003	Siefer, Ella	<i>He Will Not Let Me Fall</i>	Mixed Media	NFS
CT004	Wollom, Emerson	<i>Portrait of a Lady</i>	Acrylic	NFS
CT005	Wollom, Emerson	<i>Portrait of a Lady (Graphite Study)</i>	Graphite	NFS

Crestview:

Name	Title	Media	Price
CV001	Adam, Quintin	<i>Interpretation of Oneself</i>	Charcoal
CV002	Adam, Quintin	<i>Less Superficial</i>	NFS
CV003	Adam, Quintin	MYRO	Mixed Media
CV004	Adam, Quintin	<i>What to Look at When Depersonalization</i>	Ink
CV005	Adams, Alina	<i>Moonlit Tiger</i>	Acrylic
CV006	Bok, Lily	<i>Broken Chains of Expectation</i>	Mixed Media
CV007	Bok, Lily	<i>Once in a Lunar Moon</i>	Mixed Media
CV008	Bok, Lily	<i>You've Been Jinxed</i>	Mixed Media
CV009	Burk, Ashley	<i>Chaotic Christmas</i>	Printmaking
CV010	Burk, Ashley	<i>The Amble Tale</i>	Mixed Media
CV011	Burk, Ashley	<i>The Bard: Phase III</i>	Acrylic
CV012	Burk, Ashley	<i>Still Life</i>	Charcoal
CV013	Dirr, Violet	<i>Doctrina Florere (Learning to Bloom)</i>	Ceramic
CV014	Dirr, Violet	<i>Stairs to Perfection</i>	Acrylic
CV015	Gardner, Anna	<i>In the Safety of Shadows</i>	Ceramic
CV016	Gardner, Anna	<i>The Treasure of Detail</i>	Ceramic
CV017	Hammons, Connor	<i>House of Holiness</i>	Ceramic
CV018	Hammons, Connor	<i>Purple Perfection</i>	Ceramic
CV019	Hedden, Abbygayle & Lamb, Evelyn	<i>Blue Flower</i>	Ceramic
CV020	Harting, Mackenzie"	<i>Pages in Bloom</i>	Mixed Media
CV021	Lamb, Evelyn	<i>The Other Evvy</i>	Mixed Media
CV022	Marquardt, Emma	<i>An Open Book</i>	Ceramic
CV023	Marquardt, Emma	<i>Between the Gaps</i>	Ceramic
CV024	Merkle, Jetta	<i>Beyond the Stars</i>	Acrylic
CV025	Putman, Beckham	<i>Coil Pot</i>	Ceramic
CV026	Putman, Beckham	<i>Modern Gingerbread</i>	Ceramic
CV027	Risley, Rain	<i>Behind the Glass</i>	Acrylic
CV028	Roberts, Carter	<i>Winter Wonderland</i>	Ceramic
CV029	Temple, Marlee	<i>A Christmas Present</i>	Printmaking
CV030	Temple, Marlee	<i>Red Coil</i>	Ceramic

Homeschool:

Name	Title	Media	Price	
HS001	Rammel, Jettie	<i>The World of Crows</i>	Acrylic	\$200
HS002	Rammel, Jettie	<i>A Fisherman's Catch</i>	Watercolor	\$65

Lima Senior

Name	Title	Media	Price	
LS001	Adams, Angel	<i>Blue Silence</i>	Pastel	NFS
LS002	Al-Hisah, Yarah	<i>On Air</i>	Graphite	NFS
LS003	Capuchino, Lily	<i>St. Charles Bridge</i>	Oil Pastel	NFS
LS004	Cortes, Jesus	<i>Never Surrender</i>	Ink	NFS
LS005	Davis, Ken'leigha	<i>Light Over the Frozen Pines</i>	Oil Pastel	NFS
LS006	Emerick, Jamie	<i>For Freedom and Democracy</i>	Ink	NFS
LS007	Emerick, Jamie	<i>Neurotic</i>	Charcoal	NFS
LS008	Griffin, Ric'kel	<i>Harvest Festival</i>	Graphite	NFS
LS009	Harris, A'Najiah	<i>Rihanna</i>	Graphite	NFS
LS010	Jackson, Aleksei	<i>The Joker</i>	Charcoal	NFS
LS011	Jean, Debbie	<i>Goddess of the Garden</i>	Watercolor	NFS
LS012	Kanyapak, Pearwa Kongsiri	<i>The Macabre</i>	Graphite	NFS
LS013	Lawrence, Rose	<i>Veins of the Earth</i>	Oil Pastel	NFS
LS014	Manley, Malya	<i>The Creator</i>	Graphite, Colored Pencil	NFS
LS015	Merriman, Alyssa	<i>The Colosseum</i>	Pastel	NFS
LS016	Rivera, Nicole Bermudez	<i>The Promise</i>	Acrylic	NFS
LS017	Sanders, Bray	<i>Going Home</i>	Acrylic	NFS
LS018	Smith, Jaleigh	<i>Portrait of Composure</i>	Charcoal	NFS
LS019	Tripp, Paityn	<i>Autumn's Haunted Night</i>	Graphite	NFS
LS020	Wadley, Saniya	<i>The Scene</i>	Painting	NFS
LS021	Ward, Savannah	<i>Icon</i>	Charcoal	NFS
LS022	Weber II, James	<i>Victory</i>	Ink, Pastel	NFS
LS023	Weber, Alexandria	<i>Feline Fun</i>	Pastel	NFS
LS024	White, Ashlyn	<i>All Hallow's Eve</i>	Graphite	NFS

Miller City:

Name	Title	Media	Price	
MC001	Beckner, Camille	<i>Light it Up</i>	Colored Pencil	NFS
MC002	Brown, Mya	<i>Misty Memories</i>	Mixed Media	NFS
MC003	Brown, Mya	<i>Smells a Little Fishy</i>	Colored Pencil	NFS
MC004	Brown, Mya	<i>Smile!</i>	Acrylic	NFS
MC005	Cochran, Alissa	#BLB	Watercolor	NFS
MC006	Erford, Kayla	<i>Sew Close</i>	Colored Pencil	NFS
MC007	Gilgenbach, Karlee	<i>Flower</i>	Colored Pencil	NFS
MC008	Gilgenbach, Karlee	<i>Natty Champs</i>	Colored Pencil	NFS
MC009	Goecke, Nayeli	<i>Delicate Power</i>	Colored Pencil	NFS
MC010	Long, Maecyn	<i>Mother of God</i>	Mixed Media	NFS
MC011	Otto, Coletta	<i>An Autumn Afternoon</i>	Colored Pencil	NFS
MC012	Otto, Vivian	<i>Faith Over Fear</i>	Mixed Media	NFS
MC013	Palmer, Alivia	<i>Fresh Perspective</i>	Colored Pencil	NFS
MC014	Palte, Caiden	<i>Earl</i>	Watercolor	NFS
MC015	Pester, Jonathon	<i>Lord of All</i>	Pastel	NFS
MC016	Pittman, Izzy	<i>Curl Pop</i>	Pastel	NFS
MC017	Recker, Julia	<i>Brewtiful Morning</i>	Colored Pencil	NFS
MC018	Recker, Julia	<i>When Zest Meets Ice</i>	Colored Pencil	NFS
MC019	Reyna, Beau	<i>Jesus is King</i>	Pastel	NFS
MC020	Rosengarten, Kyla	<i>What the Toys Remember</i>	Colored Pencil	NFS
MC021	Ruhe, Avery	<i>Enchanted Relic</i>	Mixed Media	NFS
MC022	Ruhe, Avery	<i>The Fractured City</i>	Colored Pencil	NFS
MC023	Ruhe, Kiera	<i>Early Riser</i>	Acrylic	NFS
MC024	Schnipke, Josie	<i>Crowned</i>	Pastel	NFS

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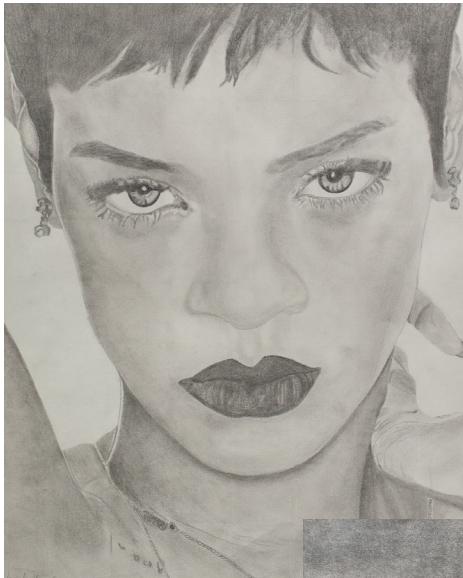
Van Wert:

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VW001	Baker, Allison	<i>Candle Head</i>	NFS
VW002	Bragg, Skylar	<i>Poison</i>	NFS
VW003	Gearhart, Lauren	<i>Sternum</i>	NFS
VW004	Greve, Lily	<i>Reflection of Self: Carly</i>	NFS
VW005	Kaiser, Nora	<i>Self</i>	Watercolor & Gouache
VW006	Kimmet, Brenna	<i>Wired Wasteland</i>	Graphite
VW007	Kitson, Grace	<i>Bottle</i>	Scratch Art
VW008	Leaser, Charley	<i>Twisted Love</i>	Ceramic
VW009	Rayman, Nate	<i>Muzzled</i>	Mixed Media
VW010	Ricker, Joslynne	<i>Boxed and Blue</i>	Mixed Media
VW011	Ricker, Joslynne	<i>Self</i>	Colored Pencil
VW012	Sudduth, Layla	<i>Aphrodite</i>	Mixed Media

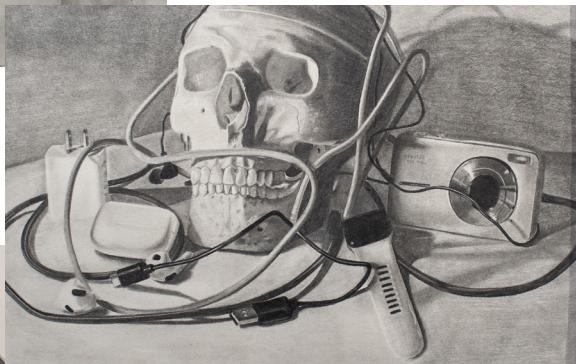
Wayne Trace:

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WT001	Evans, Abby	<i>Here Piggy, Piggy</i>	NFS
WT002	Folsom, Kendall	<i>She Sells Seashells</i>	NFS
WT003	Font, Boston	<i>Lykaios</i>	Acrylic
WT004	Font, Boston	<i>Red Whale</i>	Acrylic
WT005	Holbrook, Lilly	<i>These Boots</i>	Graphite
WT006	Holbrook, Lilly	<i>Slice</i>	Colored Pencil, Gel Pen
WT007	Holbrook, Lilly	<i>In Bloom</i>	Colored Pencil
WT008	Jackson, Sirus	<i>Flowing Flowers</i>	Colored Pencil
WT009	Lopez, Stefany	<i>The Arcade</i>	Mixed Media
WT010	Lyons, Hunter	<i>Lots of Dots</i>	Printmaking, Cyanotype
WT011	Miller, Luke	<i>Three Peaks</i>	Chalk Pastel
WT012	Morehead, Reece	<i>Midnight Horse</i>	Graphite, Ink
WT013	Morehead, Reece	<i>White Skull + Antlers</i>	Graphite
WT014	Ogle, Kenzie	<i>Postcards Series</i>	Chalk Pastel
WT015	Richie, Natalie	<i>Roar!</i>	Graphite
WT016	Sinn, Caden	<i>A Few Of My Favorite Things</i>	Colored Pencil
WT017	Stouffer, Emma	<i>Not Quite Aligned</i>	Indigo Dyed Cotton
WT018	Stouffer, Emma	<i>The Rose</i>	Embroidery
WT019	Stoller, Amber	<i>A Rainbow Of Possibilities</i>	Batik
WT020	Tigner, Brooke	<i>Here I Am!</i>	Graphite

Awards



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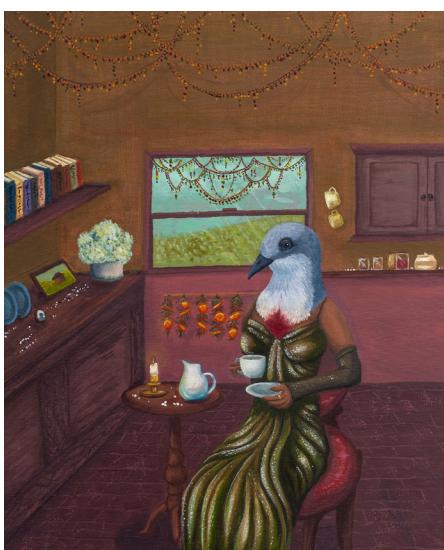


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MEET OUR JUDGE



Classically trained, German Expressionist artist Samuel Parker conveys personality in his portraits. Through layers of color and whimsical brush strokes the viewer discovers a new element of soul that perhaps did not know existed.

Coming from a long line of artists he honors his ancestors by dedicating his life to the Arts.

“I am an artist who sees the beauty in all of God’s creation and I see diversity as a celebration of heart and what makes us different is evident of soul.”

Sam had a solo show at The Wass back in 2024, and has continued his creative journey by making new work and entering shows. He has also taken on commissions and regularly exhibits, mainly around the Fort Wayne area so be sure to follow him on social media to see what he’s up to next!

Thank You Sam

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Facebook: Sam Parker