



# Association of Nebraska Art Clubs

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## Message From Your President

Hello ANAC Members!

It was GREAT to see everyone in Fremont. Thank you to the Fremont Area Art Association for putting on a great conference.



Steph Mantoath

Wanted to touch base with all of you regarding the rules for our ANAC conference show. We had quite a few entries that did not follow the rules this year. The rules are created for the accuracy of the show and safety. I have a favor to ask of you. PLEASE, PLEASE designate someone from your club for next year to police your club's entries before they are taken to the show. Even the simple rules of the entry form being on the back /with the piece and no glass (except for pastels) are

being ignored. Also, make sure your 3D entry has a travel box that will hold up to the abuse of travel. Please try to help out the exhibit board this next year. They are a hard-working board that hates to disqualify entries. But they will do what they have to do.

I am looking forward to **KICKING UP MY HEELS** at the North Platte conference in 2025!

Steph Mantoath 🍁

## Message From Your Vice-President

Hello, Artists!

We are finally starting to see signs of fall, with cooler temperatures and changing leaf colors. I had an amazing time in Fremont this summer at the ANAC conference, and I hope you all did, as well! A big thank you to everyone who had a hand in putting it together, as well as the workshop instructors and all of the participating artists!

I am looking forward to next

year's conference, "Kick Up Your Heels for Art," June 11-14 in North Platte! It will be a little closer to home for me, and it is sure to be a good time!

I hope this fall and winter bring you all much health and happiness,

Nicole 🍁



Nicole Hoffmann



### 2024 Best of Show

**The Readers**  
David Dorsey  
Sand Painters Art Club  
Acrylic



**Failed Fledge**  
Donna Schimonitz  
St. Paul Art Guild  
Acrylic



**How Does He Do That?**  
Ron Nordyke  
Art Society of Ogallala  
Mixed Media

### 2024 Nebraska Life

**The Empty Nest**  
David Dorsey  
Sand Painters Art Club  
Acrylic



**Better Days**  
Dennis Arp  
McCook Art Guild  
Oil



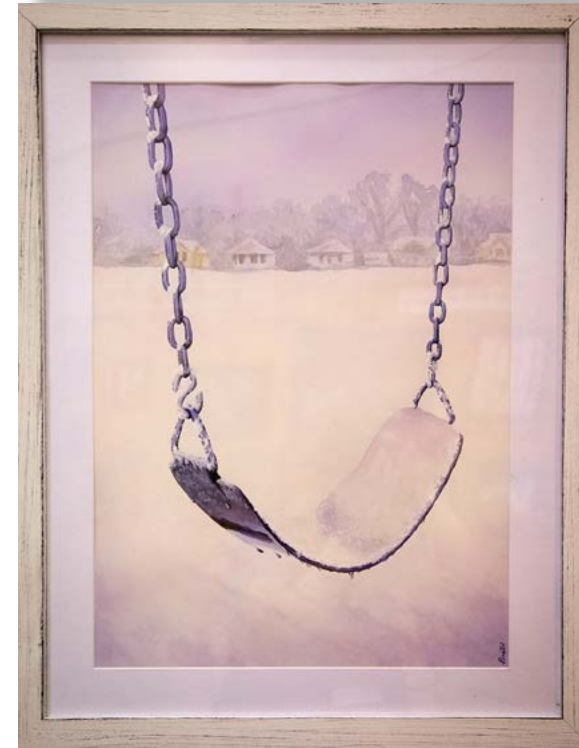
**Quid Pro Quo**  
Sara Wamsat  
Fremont Area Art Association  
Mixed Media



**Running Horse**  
Tresa Haney  
Arrow Artists  
3D Dyed Ostrich Egg



**Calm Waters**  
Justine Richardson  
Golden Plains Artists  
Pastel



**Recess is Over**  
Chris Bristol  
Fremont Area Art Association  
Watercolor



**Patty's Legacy**  
Audrey Powles  
Box Butte Art Society  
Photography



**Need a Light**  
Randy Ruppert  
Fremont Area Art Association  
Hand Engraved Brass



**King of the Plains**  
Tonya McBride Wilson  
Artissimos  
Woodcut



**At Peace**  
Pam Apley  
Lincoln Artists' Guild  
Fabric Mosaic



**Kiss It Please, Mommy**  
Patricia Lontor  
Omaha Artists, Inc.  
Oil



**Right Turn**  
Donna J. Alber  
The Art Connection  
Acrylic



**Lurker at the Threshold**  
Tyler McIntosh  
Clements Noyes Art Gallery  
Mixed Media



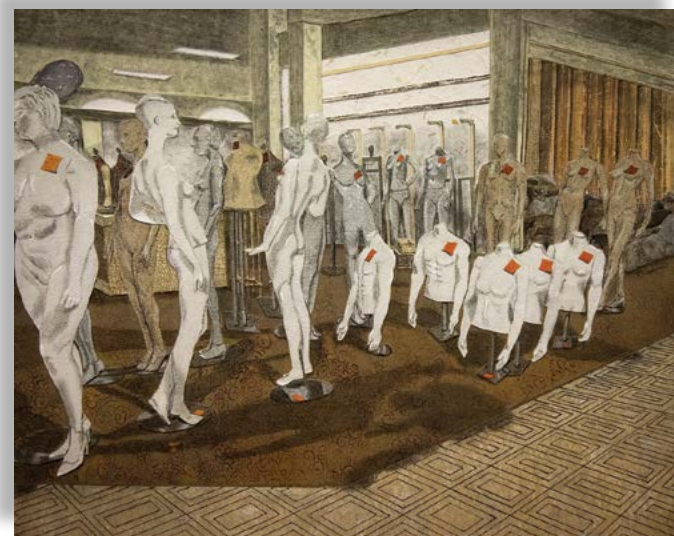
**Beneath the Blue  
Fire Horizon**  
Leroy Von Glan  
Northeast Nebraska Art Association  
Stoneware



**Future Past**  
William Branham  
McCook Art Guild  
Acrylic



**#24 2023**  
Daniel Garringer  
Kearney Artists Guild  
Colored Pencil



**No Longer Needed**  
Carolyn F. Jacobsen  
Kearney Artists Guild  
Mixed Media



**Frigid Falls**  
Sue Perez  
North Platte Art Guild  
Colored Pencil



**Power of Three**  
Connie Eyberg  
Omaha Artists, Inc.  
Alcohol Ink Beading



**Pick Up Men**

Bobby Roshone  
Sand Painters Art Club  
Photography



**Take the Lead or Follow**

Chana Orton  
Sand Painters Art Club  
Colored Pencil



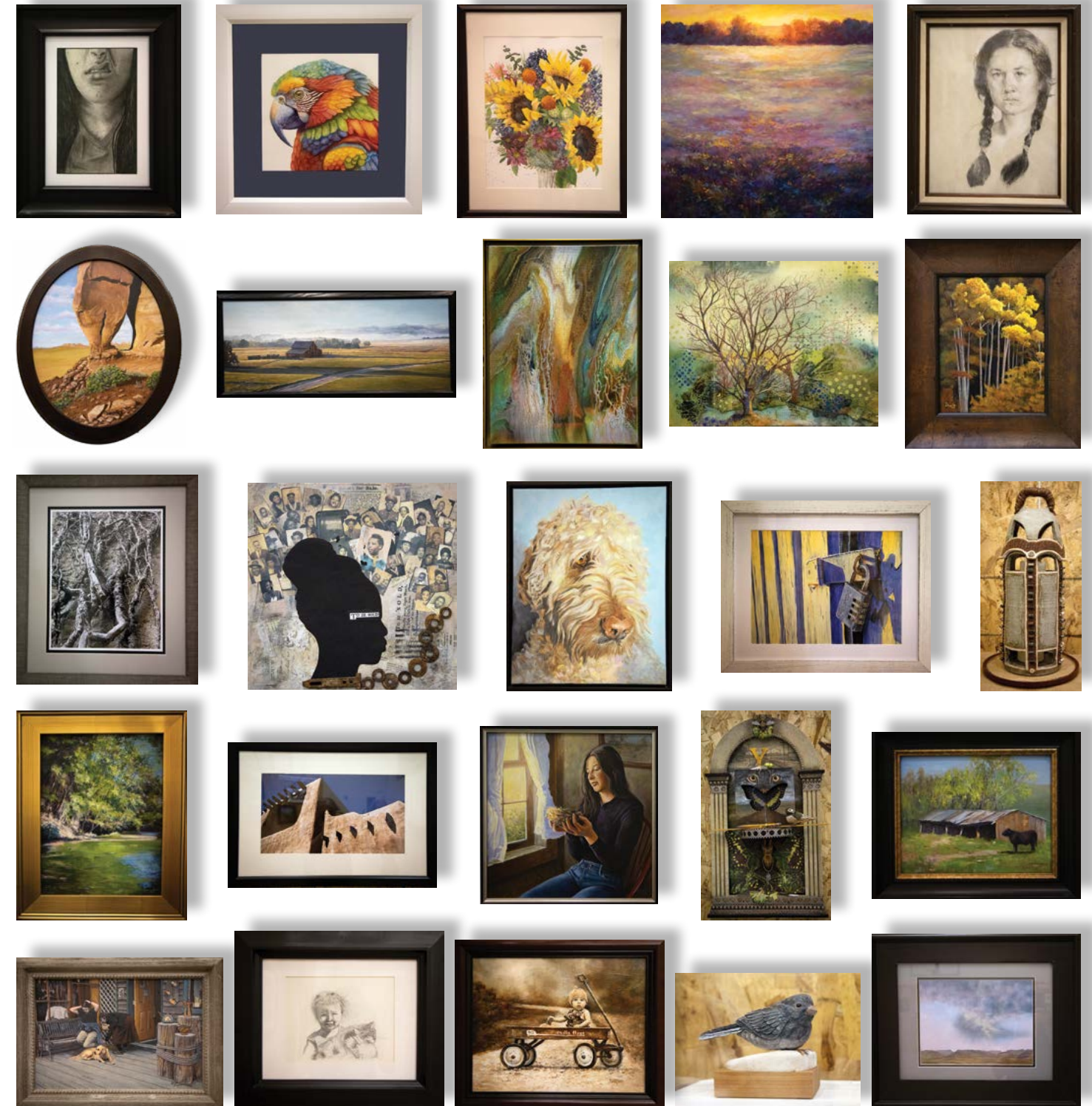
**Brisk Morning Walk**

Kathy Link  
Clements Noyes Art Gallery  
Pastel



**Leading Knights**

Linda Teahon  
Thedford Art Guild  
Photography



Photos, along with artist information, of all award winning art can be viewed on our ANAC website  
<https://nebraskaartclubs.org/2024-2/award-winners-and-recap-of-conference-2024/>  
<https://nebraskaartclubs.org/2024-2/anac-exhibit-results-2024/>

**GENERAL MEETING**

Steph Mantooth, president of the Association of Nebraska Art Clubs, called the general membership meeting to order at 8:07 p.m. in Fremont, NE following the ANAC awards banquet of the conference.

Amy Tomasevicz called the roll of clubs showing 24 of 35 clubs were represented. Minutes from the June 9, 2023, general membership meeting were read. JoAnne Nielsen's name was added as the recipient of the 2023 ANAC Award. Pam Hynek moved, and Mark VanHousen seconded to accept the amended minutes. Motion carried.

**Treasurer Report:** Diane Noonan reported \$27,907.18 in the bank account before conference expenses. Terri Licking moved, and Sue Oiler Doves seconded to accept the report. Motion carried.

Mark VanHousen reported the exhibit board found eight disqualifications for glass violation, and one

non-member.

Gwen Lewis stated there are 34 clubs in the state organization with 585 members, down only three from 2023. One club disbanded.

**Historian:** Terri is looking for some missing newsletters from certain past years. She had a display on a table stating which newsletters were missing.

**Old Business:** Following the banquet, two more deceased members' names were added to the Memorial Roll: June Kehn from Art Connections, and Donna Cole from the Ranchland Art Group.

**New Business:** Pam Hynek reported problems experienced with transporting and displaying an encaustic piece. It was suggested to develop some guidelines and include those in the rules. The situation was turned over to the exhibit board.

**Election:** From four nominees, three new exhibit board members were

elected. They are Shari Mazuka, Elijah Swanson, and Anne Kennedy. This is a four-year term for those elected.

**2025 Conference:** "Kick Up Your Heels for Art" is the theme of the 2025 ANAC Conference to be held in North Platte June 11-14, 2025. Terri Licking gave information about the Prairie Arts Center as one resource for events and the Mid-Plains Community College as the exhibit area. Other events are in the planning stages. The judge will be Behnaz Ahmadian, an acrylic artist from Colorado. It was suggested to reserve motel rooms early because of the large number attending Nebraskaland Days at about the same time. The college will also have rooms available.

Mark VanHousen moved to adjourn, and Donna Schimonitz seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Amy Tomasevicz, secretary

The Fremont Area Art Association hosted "State of the Arts," the 59th annual ANAC Conference June 12-15, 2024. Thirty-two clubs participated in this year's competition with 285 art submissions exhibited at Fremont Middle School. Registrations were strong, with 103 people participating in classes or partaking in offered meals/events.

The conference was packed with activities including a variety of courses and planned events. Attendees had the opportunity to enjoy a welcome reception Wednesday, a "fun" night Thursday, and the annual awards banquet Friday evening. Of



to participants several were "sold out," and all were well attended.

This year's workshop selections included batik; beginning air brush; collage and mixed media; quilling; alcohol ink; fabric art; photography; and watercolor. Suzann Beck, a Minnesota portrait artist, offered classes in facial drawing, oil painting, and people or pet portraits. Beck was also the conference judge.



Portrait workshop with Suzann Beck

Beck selected David Dorsey's acrylic painting, "The Readers," as Best of Show. Twenty-four entries received Awards of Excellence, and twenty-five entries received honorable mention. Eight entries were unfortunately disqualified due to glass violations and there was one ineligible non-member entry. Dorsey's painting, "The Empty Nest," was selected

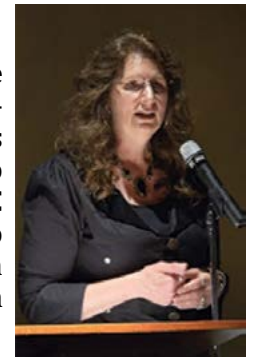
for the Nebraska Life Award.

After Friday's banquet, the annual member general meeting was held. Three new exhibit board members were elected: Shari Mazuka, Elijah Swanson, and Anne Kennedy. It was noted there were no entries for the Gwen McKenzie Fellowship Award. Mark VanHousen was selected as the recipient of the 2024 ANAC Award.

At the end of the general meeting, all members were invited to the 2025 ANAC Conference to be held in North Platte, Nebraska on June 11-14.



2024 ANAC conference attendees

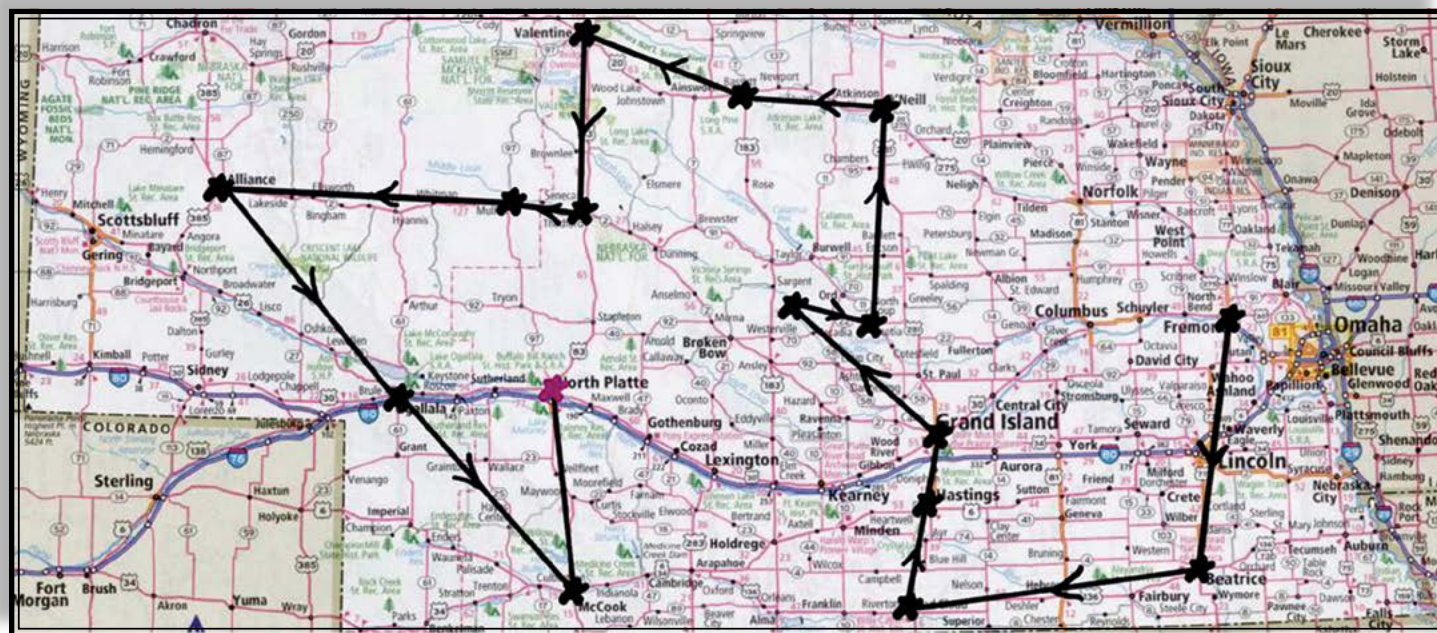


Suzann Beck, 2024 ANAC conference judge



Enjoying a meal at conference

the nine workshops made available



**2024-2025 ANAC Traveling Show Schedule**

<b>Fremont</b> . . . . .6-16 thru 6-27, 2024	<b>North Loup</b> . . . . .10-14 thru 11-9, 2024	<b>Mullen</b> . . . . .2-25 thru 3-23, 2025
<b>Beatrice</b> . . . . .6-28 thru 7-24, 2024	<b>O'Neil</b> . . . . .11-10 thru 12-6, 2024	<b>Alliance</b> . . . . .3-24 thru 4-19, 2025
<b>Red Cloud</b> . . . . .7-25 thru 8-20, 2024	<b>Bassett</b> . . . . .12-7, 2024 thru 1-2, 2025	<b>Ogallala</b> . . . . .4-20 thru 5-16, 2025
<b>Hastings/Grand Island</b> . . .8-21 thru 9-16, 2024	<b>Valentine</b> . . . . .1-3 thru 1-28, 2025	<b>McCook</b> . . . . .5-17 thru 6-9, 2025
<b>Comstock</b> . . . . .9-17 thru 10-13, 2024	<b>Thedford</b> . . . . .1-29 thru 2-24, 2025	<b>North Platte</b> . . . . .6-10 thru 6-14, 2025

**ANAC Fremont Conference June 12-15, 2024**

Medium	Number of Entries	% of Entries	Awards in Medium	% of Awards
Photography	53	19.00%	5	10.00%
Acrylic	46	16.00%	7	14.00%
Mixed Media	30	10.50%	5	10.00%
Oil	40	14.00%	9	18.00%
Watercolor	30	10.50%	4	8.00%
Glass	5	1.75%	0	0.00%
Ink & Alcohol Ink	13	5.00%	0	0.00%
Pastel	18	6.00%	3	6.00%
3D (Clay, Metal, Wood)	17	6.00%	8	16.00%
Fiber/Batik/Textile	5	1.75%	1	2.00%
Pencil/Charcoal/Colored Pencil	17	6.00%	7	14.00%
Collage	6	2.00%	1	2.00%
Other	5	1.75%	0	0.00%
<b>Total Entries</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

## ANAC SIGNATURE AWARD WINNERS

Members Obtaining Five or More Certificates of Excellence During Their Years of Membership

Joan Anderson  
Duane Baker  
Roberta Barnes  
Ken Bassett  
Erna Beach  
Marilyn Belschner  
Dale Bergantzel  
Wava Best  
Donna Binfield  
Le Bloemker  
Wendy Mues Bonge  
Patricia Coslor  
Ann Covalciuc  
Leoda Davis  
Nancy Dee  
Don Dernovich  
Mary Beth Dodson  
David Dorsey  
Cynthia Duff  
Cindi Egging  
Carolyn Fairbanks  
Sherian Frey  
Dona Lee Golden  
Deb Goodenberger  
Judy Greff

Pat Grothe  
Dora Hagge  
Marilyn Evelo Hanson  
Susan Hart  
Ralph Hawkins  
Marie Hubbard  
Dianne Jeffrey  
Paul Jeske  
Howard Kaye  
Anne Kennedy  
Connie Kleckner  
Marjorie Kopf  
Raeford Lewis  
Kathleen Lohr  
Sammy Lynn  
Jude Martindale  
Laron McGinn  
Sandy Meyer  
Chari Mitchell  
Deb Monfelt  
Muschi Mues  
Diane Noonan  
Ron Nordyke  
Julia Noyes  
Chana Orton

Missi Paul  
Leila Peden  
Sue Perez  
Larry Peterson  
Barb Pokorny  
Justine Richardson  
Mary Ringenberg  
Amy Sadle  
Pat Schemmer  
Donna Schimonitz  
Ray Schultze  
Patsy Smith  
Lois Smith  
Charlotte Snyder  
Dee Spencer Rogers  
Ladell Stonecipher  
Lucky Stradley  
Sara Sumnick Wamsat  
Amy Tomasevicz  
Jana VanHousen  
Leroy Von Glan  
Jeal Welstead  
Jan Wiemers

## 2024 ANAC Award Recipient Mark VanHousen

The 2024 ANAC award recipient is Mark VanHousen. VanHousen has studied and created art since he was an adolescent. He has worked in the mediums of watercolor; pencil; oil; photography; and wood turning, his current primary focus. After moving to Alliance with his late wife, Jana, also an accomplished artist and ANAC member, Mark became a valued member of the Box Butte Art Society. He presently provides his expertise to the Carnegie Art Center, exhibiting, and also helping plan their annual anniversary show.

Mark's involvement with ANAC spans back to 2009 when he was deeply involved with the Aurora Area Artisans. His profound contributions to ANAC include serving as vice president, president, and currently as an exhibit board member. Mark represents the best of ANAC, impacting members with his art, his expertise, his dedication, and the gift of sharing his experience and knowledge. Congratulations Mark!

### History of ANAC Conference Judges

2024 Fremont..... Suzann Beck..... Portrait Painter	2004 Norfolk..... Doug Dawson..... Pastel
2023 Columbus..... Leslie Lambert..... Watercolor	2003 Aurora..... Claudia Nice..... Watercolor
2022 Broken Bow... Mary Binford Miller.. Oil	2002 Bellevue..... George "Papa" Tutt... Watermedia
2021 ONLINE..... Tom Christopher..... Pastel/Oil	2001 North Platte.... Carl Dalio ..... Watercolor
2020 Fremont..... CANCELLED (Covid 19)	2000 Beatrice ..... Larry Blovits..... Oil/Pastel
2019 Albion..... Joan Fullerton ..... Mixed Media	1999 Norfolk..... Harriet Marshall Goode. Figure Painting
2018 Scottsbluff..... Larry Lombardo..... Watercolor	1998 Valentine..... Virginia Cobb ..... Abstract/Watermedia
2017 York..... Gregg Summers..... Oil (plein air)	1997 Grand Island... Margaret Kessler ..... Oil
2016 McCook..... Jennifer Stone ..... Mixed Media	1996 Fremont..... Polly Hammett..... Watercolor
2015 Columbus..... Lisa Ober..... Pastel/Oil (portrait)	1995 Valentine..... Paul Soldner ..... Ceramic Sculpture
2014 McCook..... Robert O'Brien..... Watercolor	1994 Lincoln..... Zoltan Szabo ..... Watercolor
2013 Alliance..... Desiree Hajny..... Wood Carving	1993 Beatrice ..... Judy Betts..... Watercolor
2012 Aurora..... Paul Leveille ..... Oil/Pastel/Watercolor	1992 York..... Christopher Schink... Watercolor
2011 Columbus..... Don Andrews ..... Watercolor	1991 Scottsbluff..... Carl Dalio ..... Watercolor
2010 Fremont..... Bob Rohm ..... Pastel/Oil	1989 Omaha..... Frank Webb..... Watercolor
2009 Kearney..... Terry Isaac..... Acrylic (wildlife)	1985 Kearney..... Paul Soldner ..... Clay
2008 Aurora..... Craig Srebnik..... Oil (portrait)	1984 Lincoln..... T.F. Poduska ..... Acrylic
2007 McCook..... Paul Jackson..... Watercolor	1983 Fremont..... Gerald Brommer..... Watercolor
2006 Lincoln..... Betsy Dillard Stroud. Mixed Media	1982 McCook..... Don Coen..... Acrylic
2005 Valentine..... Davida Schulman/Sigrid Wonsil... Watermedia	

### In Memoriam

Jeanette Bangert . . . . . Beatrice Art Guild  
Mary Buckmiller . . . Sand Painters Art Club  
Donna Cole . . . . . Ranchland Art Group  
Zona Fritz . . . . . McCook Art Guild  
Della Husa Siems. . . . . Beatrice Art Guild

Marge Jones . . . Cheyenne County Art Guild  
June Kehn . . . . . Art Connections  
Marilyn Ohlmann . . Sand Painters Art Club  
Shirley Saner . . . . . Vissi d'Arte Club  
Marilyn Schaaf . . . . . Ranchland Art Group

### THE GWEN MCKENZIE FELLOWSHIP AWARD – Consider Applying this spring!

Is There a Workshop You Would Like to Attend, But Need a Few Dollars?  
Apply for the \$175 Gwen McKenzie Fellowship Award

#### Requirements

- Applicant must be a member of the Association of Nebraska Art Clubs, Inc. (ANAC).
- Have a sincere desire for self-improvement in their artistic skills.
- Fellowship should be used for any art workshop conducted by a recognized teacher or college class in art including ANAC workshops, supplies, room/board, or mileage.

#### Please Include

1. Letter of recommendation from a member of an ANAC club
2. Your name, address and phone number
3. Local club name
4. Location of workshop you would like to attend.
5. Statement of Applicant: In a few words describe how you would benefit and improve your skills in this workshop.

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# Association of Nebraska Art Clubs

## 2024 Member Clubs

Club	Location	President
Ainsworth Art Guild	Ainsworth	Carol Larson
An Electio	Albion	Wendy Bonge
Arrow Artists	Broken Bow	Mary Smith
Art Society of Ogallala	Ogallala	Patricia Schulz
Artissimos	North Loup	Don Christensen
Ash Hollow Art Club	Oshkosh	Myra Ring*
Aurora Area Artisans	Aurora	Desiree Christenson
Beatrice Art Guild	Beatrice	Carlos Mazuka
Bellevue Artists Association	Bellevue	Jane Pullum
Box Butte Art Society	Alliance	Kyren Gibson
Cheyenne County Art Guild	Sidney	Jane Sim Easterley
Clements Noyes Art Gallery	Lincoln	Janna Harsch
Columbus Area Artists	Columbus	Patrice Wielgus/Deb Gonsoir
Cozad Art Club	Cozad	Lyman Anderson
El Rio Art Club	Lincoln	Tita Hynes
Fremont Area Art Association	Fremont	Karen Thurlow
Golden Plains Artists	McCook	Anne Kennedy
Grand Island Art Club	Grand Island	Amy McIntosh
Kearney Artists Guild	Kearney	Alissa Harris
Lincoln Artists' Guild	Lincoln	Carmen Stineman
Logan Valley Artists	Bancroft	Rojane Beineke
McCook Art Guild	McCook	Aubrey Elms
Mullen Arts Center	Mullen	Nicole Hoffmann
North Platte Art Guild	North Platte	Sue Perez
Northeast Nebraska Art Association	Norfolk	Suzann Morfeld
Omaha Artists, Inc.	Omaha	Vickey Timperley
Pony Expressionist	Gothenburg	Donna Morris
Ranchland Art Group	O'Neill	Kevin McNichols
Red Cloud Area Artists	Red Cloud	Gwen Lewis
Sand Painters Art Club	Valentine	Joan Swim
St. Paul Art Guild	St. Paul	Donna Schimonitz
The Art Connection	Hastings	Marilyn Reynolds
Thedford Art Guild	Thedford	Terri Licking
Vissi d'Arte Club	Comstock	Della Pulley

To get in touch with a club, please contact Gwen Lewis (see page 15 for her information).

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*Coming Next Year*  
**KICK UP YOUR HEELS  
FOR ART**

At the 60th Annual ANAC Conference  
June 11-14, 2025  
North Platte, NE

*Hosted by*  
*The North Platte Art Guild*