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"AS ABOVE/SO BELOW" by Nenet



FROM LEFT: "PEACE" by Lucy Zapata; "TWO SWANS" by Beva Chavez; "VALLEY SPIRIT" by Hal Grady

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C ince its inception in 1996, the Phoenix Sister Cities Disabilities Awareness Committee (PSC/DAC) has been working towards improving disability awareness in the city of Phoenix and its member Sister Cities.

By developing a variety of intercommunity programs incorporating those individuals with disabilities into already existing programs, or creation of new ones, PSC/DAC has been nationally recognized as a leader in the disability arena. Having won the Disability Advocacy Award seven times in nine years, the International Competition for Artists with Disabilities is the first competition to showcase both international and local artists with disabilities.

PSC/DAC is excited to offer recognition to those artists who have reached beyond their disability and utilized their creative talents to promote a global understanding of disabilities. The international and local art submitted for the competition will be displayed in Phoenix, as well as in an online gallery which will highlight each artist with their biography and accompanying picture. Additional opportunities to have the worldwide artists work(s) will be accomplished through our relationship with Earth Art Imports.

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what to submit ELIGIBILITY

Each participating artist with a disability must be 19 years of age or older at the time the entries are due on October 1, 2008. Entries should be inspired by the theme and must be the original design and artwork of the artist. Each artist may submit multiple entries. Each entry must be submitted with a completed, official entry form. All artists with disabilities from the Phoenix area are eligible to participate. Entries from Sister Cities' artists must be sponsored and submitted by their Sister City.

RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

The competition organizers reserve the right to modify or clarify any of the competition rules during the term o<mark>f the</mark> competition without notice. No Sister City program may reproduce finalist artwork online, on merchandise or printed materials without the express written permission of the PSC/DAC.

COMPETITION

The first submission becomes the property of PSC/DAC. Any additional artwork submitted will be required to be available for sale with 50% of the proceeds going to the artist, and 50% to PSC/DAC. No entry fee is required for competition entries. If an artist chooses to keep their artwork, they may enter the exhibition portion of the event. No prizes are given for exhibition and will have a \$15 entry fee per artist. (Fee is waived for international Sister Cities entrants.) Artwork to be returned after the judging must be accompanied by the

"WHERE'S THE BEEF" by Bill Mick People's Choice Award, 2008

appropriate shipping and handling fee. Artwork without the return fee becomes the property of PSC/DAC.

JUDGING

A panel of judges will evaluate entries on the basis of theme interpretation, composition and originality. During the judging, artists names and communities are kept confidential. One winner will be selected from the local entries and each Sister City. From the winning entries, first, second, and third place winners will be selected.

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

The grand prize winner will receive a \$500 cash award. Cash awards will also be given to 2nd place (\$300) and 3rd place (\$150) winners. A People's Choice Award will also be presented at the awards ceremony.

A press release will be distributed to recognize all finalists. All entrants will receive a 'Certificate of Participation' and recognition will be given to those entries that placed first in their city.

All entries will be displayed throughout November at the Irish Cultural Center, 1106 N. Central Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85004.

In order to be eligible for any cash awards, the first submitted piece of artwork must be donated to PSC/DAC. Additional pieces of art submitted for competition and cash awards must be available for purchase, with 20% of the proceeds of the sale going to PSC/DAC. Artists electing not to sell their artwork may choose to exhibit their work, but will not be eligible for cash awards.

how to submit **MEDIUM & SPECIFICATIONS**

Entrants are required to creatively express the theme in an innovative manner. Entries must not be plagiarized, stolen or copied from any other source. Entries must not defame



or invade the rights of any person, living or dead. Entries not adhering to these guidelines will not be considered.

TWO-DIMENSIONAL ARTWORK

· Only two-dimensional artwork, no larger than 24" x 30" (60 cm x 75 cm, including matting,) is accepted. Watercolors, pastels, pen and ink, charcoal, photography, two-dimensional mixed media, as well as computer-generated art, are all acceptable media.

• Please do not submit framed artwork. Entries must be mounted on foamcore or matted so they are firm enough to stand on easels.

• Entries that use copyrighted or trademarked images will not be accepted.

PACKING & SHIPPING

Pack the entry so that it is wellprotected during shipment. Consider placing valuable or fragile artwork between two sturdy pieces of cardboard and strapping heavy-duty packing tape around the length and width. A package delivery or courier service is suggested if shipping close to the deadline. PSC/DAC takes no responsibility and will not compensate for lost or damaged artwork.

deadline

OCTOBER 1ST, 2008

Send entries to: Phoenix Sister Cities/DAC Historic City Hall 17 South 2nd Avenue, 4th floor Phoenix, Arizona 85003

INQUIRIES

602/534-3751 phoenixsistercities.org "UNTITLED" by Wang, Wan-Ting First Place Overall, 2008

ENTRY FORM Print this page and mail to address below

Please print clearly in English and enclose with the artwork and, if applicable, the entry fee.		
Artist's name:		
Home address:		
Birthdate (mm/dd/yy)		
Phone: Email:		
Disability classification (e.g. visually impaired, hearing impairment, etc.):		
Title of Artwork:		
Please tell us what inspired you to create this artwork (in 100 words or less):		
Please include a short biography and photograph of the artist which will be included in the online virtual gallery. Enclosed:		



We understand that all entries become the artistic property of PSC/DAC. Although the artist retains his/her copyright for other uses, PSC/DAC will retain perpetual, non-exclusive rights to use submitted artwork in any future publication, promotion material or online service with no compensation other than credit with the artist's name and community. PSC/DAC reserves the right to free reproduction and exhibition of all submissions. PSC/DAC takes no responsibility and will not compensate for any lost or damaged artwork. All fees associated with the competition become the property of PSC/DAC and will not be returned.

By submitting this entry, we agree to give PSC/DAC, its members and affiliates, permission to publish and display the submitted entry at public exhibits, online and in publications and/or promotional materials, at the discretion of PSC/DAC. We agree to abide by all the rules and terms of the competition and agree to waive all claims of any kind against the competition organizers.

Sister Cities Information: (Required)

Photograph

Biography (no more than one page)

Sister City Sponsoring the Entry:		
Contact Person:		
Contact Address:		
Phone:	Email:	
Signature	Date:	
Exhibition Artwork Competition Artwork	Inquiries: 602/534-3751 • phoenixsistercities.org	

PSA Art Awakenings enhances and empowers the mental health community through its studios and galleries, offering hope, recovery, diversity and wellness to individuals challenged by mental illnesses. Phoenix Sister Cities Disabilities Awareness Committee is grateful for the valuable time and assistance we receive from them.

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