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ANTON ART CENTER ANNOUNCES LOOKING FORWARD EXHIBITION

Anton Art Center is proud to present *Looking Forward*, opening on June 5, 2021. This exhibition consists of 40 selected artworks by 26 members of the Lakeside Palette Club of St. Clair Shores, Mount Clemens Art Association, Romeo Guild of Art, and Warren Tri County Fine Arts Association, Inc. The show is juried by Candice Grieve, an artist that has worked with various mediums, and devoted twenty-five years to pastel in both her own work and in teaching.

The exhibition invited local artist group members to display their recent work inspired by the shared theme of *Looking Forward*. Through their pieces, artists share their interpretation of what *Looking Forward* means to them. Artists submitted up to two original entries completed in the last two years in any type of media that are new to the gallery. Artworks will be on display in the Petitpren Community Gallery on the second floor, as well as virtually on the Anton Art Center's website (www.theartcenter.org/exhibits).

For the safety of staff, volunteers, members, artists, and visitors, the Anton Art Center will host a Virtual Awards Announcement on Saturday, June 5th at 2:00pm. The event will be streamed live on the Anton Art Center Facebook page and is open to all. Awards to be made include:

- 1st Place Awarded \$150 Cash Prize
- 2nd Place Awarded \$100 Cash Prize
- 3rd Place Awarded \$75 Cash Prize
- Honorable Mention Three will be awarded \$25 each

Phil Gilchrist, Executive Director of the Anton Art Center, is looking forward to the show. "Seeing the artwork from the members from each of these clubs and associations collectively will be truly exciting" says Gilchrist, "During a time when many of us are looking forward to the future it will be interesting to see the art inspired by thoughts of the future." *Looking Forward* will be on display in-person and virtually through July 13, 2021.

"We are especially delighted to welcome back local artists to the Anton Art Center for a brand new juried exhibit! Looking Forward offers a wide variety of mediums, styles, and perspectives on the anticipation of the future through an exciting and inspiring gallery of artworks," adds Stephanie Hazzard, Exhibition Manager of the Anton Art Center, "Be sure to visit us to check it out!"

For more information about the Anton Art Center, visit www.theartcenter.org or call 586-469-8666. The Anton Art Center is a registered nonprofit organization located in Mount Clemens, Michigan, with a mission to enrich and inspire people of all ages through the arts. The Anton Art Center is open Tuesday through Saturday from 11am until 3pm; admission is free and open to the public.

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Sample images of artwork on display.



South of the Border, Acrylic paint Barbara Clay, Romeo Guild of Art



Summer Beckons, Acrylic paint Carol Stevens, Warren Tri-County Fine Arts, Inc.



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Leaping Ladies, Water media Jan Filarski, Romeo Guild of Art



Welcome Spring, Photography Wendy Kohlman, Lakeside Palette Club of St. Clair Shores and Mount Clemens Art Association

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