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## AREA 9 AGENCY ANNOUNCES WINNERS OF 2010 SENIOR ART COMPETITION

From paintings to drawings, photographs to sculptures, glasswork to wood carvings, the artistic accomplishments of our older citizens will be on exhibit August 2<sup>nd</sup> – September 10<sup>th</sup> in Meijer Artway, Whitewater Hall, on the campus of Indiana University East. Persons age 60 and over from Fayette, Franklin, Rush, Union and Wayne counties who participated in the 2010 Area 9 Senior Art Competition will have their work on exhibit during this 5<sup>th</sup> annual event sponsored by Friends Fellowship Community and presented by Area 9 In-Home and Community Services Agency and Indiana University East. “This is a wonderful opportunity for showcasing the artistic abilities of older citizens in our communities,” says Judy Ford, coordinator of the event.

“When I was approached by Ms. Ford in 2005 to host an art competition and exhibit at IU East, I was a bit skeptical, but very curious as to the level of the work that might be entered by ‘senior citizens.’ By the time a few of the entries had entered our doors, I knew it was a good decision,” said Ed Thornburg, Curator. “The event has grown in both quality and quantity over the past few years. The competition is modeled after 4-H with placements and ribbons. In addition to this, Friends Fellowship Community makes a cash donation for winners in each division. Finally, the event is very instructional being patterned after the IU East Whitewater competition; there is ‘open judging,’ whereby all artists can hear the juror give rationale and criticism for the entries. This year’s exhibit, with 60 works displayed, is the best yet.”

The Area 9 Senior Art Exhibit will be open to the public during regular campus hours. Following are the results of the open judging held July 30<sup>th</sup>:

<b><u>Best of Show:</u></b>	Richard Huff, Liberty	“Blue Bird”
<b><u>Division Champions:</u></b>	Hazel Ailes, Connersville Shirley English, Metamora Rex Godfrey, Richmond Richard Huff, Liberty Patty McGill, Richmond	“The Durzee” “Knives, Guns & Tongue” “Politics and the Human Ego” “Blue Bird” “A Winter Evening Stroll”
<b><u>1<sup>st</sup> Place:</u></b>	Hazel Ailes, Connersville Bettie Donovan, Richmond Shirley English, Metamora Rex Godfrey, Richmond Virginia Hapner, Richmond Richard Huff, Liberty Patty McGill, Richmond Gene Schultz, Richmond Paul Young, Hagerstown	“The Durzee” “Cabin in the Woods” “Knives, Guns & Tongue” “Politics and the Human Ego” “Shawn’s Dahlia” “Blue Bird” “A Winter Evening Stroll” “Red Wolves Mother” “Oh My!”

<u>2<sup>nd</sup> Place:</u>	Catherine Blommel, Connersville Doris Martin, Connersville Linda Paddock, Brownsville Andrew Reichter, Richmond Dave Thomas, Fountain City Eleanor Turk, Richmond	"Wilson Creek" "Untitled" "Walk with Roses" "Praying Mantis" "Rock 'n Roar" "Li River Boatman"
<u>3<sup>rd</sup> Place:</u>	Wilbur Clark, Richmond Helen Hankinson, Richmond May Isaacs, Richmond Barbara Pence, West Manchester, OH George Stallings, Richmond Shirley Turley, Richmond	"Bay Watch" "Universal Woman" "Winter Dream" "Transfiguration" "Old Iron Typha" "Pennsylvania Overpass Railroad Landmark"
<u>Honorable Mention:</u>	Joyce Acton, Richmond Anna Bastin, Liberty Edgar Bowery, Richmond Jerry Engle, Lynn Joe Goebel, Richmond Betty Johnson, Liberty Luevirna King, Connersville Michael Maines, Richmond Suga Y. Matsui, Richmond Mary Mccoy, Hagerstown J.R. Paugh, Rushville William Perkins, Richmond Tony Shepherd, Liberty Barbara Sparks, Richmond Ilene Sparks, Connersville Charles Vogelgesang, Centerville Shirley Wise, Richmond Ralph Wynn, Richmond	"Linda's Garden" "Indiana Covered Bridge" "Winter at the Barn" "Chip Carved Plate" "Metal Sculpture" "Whitewater Park" "Bearded Iris" "Graphic Freedom" "Harry" "Coastal Tranquility" "Stump Fence" "Virginia Mill" "Mars & Venus" "Fresh Fruit" "Barn & Wagon" "Candleholder" "Photo" "Korean Memorial Photo"
Others exhibiting artwork include:	Betty Ashby, Rushville Dorothy Bess, Rushville Geraldine Breen, Richmond Jerry Breen, Richmond Valeta Bridgewater, Richmond Russ Carter, Sr., Richmond Elizabeth Corbin, Connersville Lois E. Gesell, Liberty Wanda Hawkins, Richmond Mary Lou McGowan, Rushville Marian L. Miller, Rushville Carol Moore, Rushville Claudia Senour, Liberty Elaine Faye Six, Rushville Mary Ellen Slagal, Richmond Francis E. Slim, Connersville Shirley Stanton, Liberty Christina Tate, Richmond Genebe Turner, Rushville Jeanie Ward, Rushville	"Balloons" "Rebekah" "Pink is In" "Evening Shadow" "The Piper" "Old Mill Stream" "Owl" "Martindale Creek in Wayne County" "Peace" "Signs of Spring" "Playing in the Snow" "The 'Ole' Barn" "Sail Boat" "The American 440" "Mountain Man" "Arc De Triomphe, Paris" "The Fishing Pond" "The New Foal" "Rogers Lighthouse" "Big Kisses"