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Arts Commission Announces Photo Contest Winners

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Kirkwood, Missouri: The Kirkwood Arts Commission announced the winners of its 2017 "Celebrating Public Art in Kirkwood" photo competition at a reception and awards ceremony on Friday, September 29, at the Kirkwood Train Station. The following photographers were recognized.

18 and Older Category:

First Place: John Langholz, Untitled #1
Second Place: David Gaynor, Balancing Act
Third Place: Steven Baynham, Gulliver's Travels

Up to Age 18 Category:

- First Place: Chase Foster, CBC High School, Aerial View of a Lilliputian
- Second Place: Natalie Scherr, Kirkwood High School, North
- Third Place: Joe Hillmeyer, SLUH, Chairs by Night

Honorable Mentions – 18 and Older:

- David Gaynor, Technicolor Circle
- Monica Kohler, Good Day Sunshine
- Monica Kohler, Sail Away
- Katie Hayes, Three Red Circles and a Blue Crane
- Max Arens, Themes of Kirkwood and Kirkwood Train Station

Honorable Mentions – Up to Age 18:

- Emma Harrell, Kirkwood High School, Ripples
- Cameron Hankinson, Nipher Middle School, KHS
- Natalie Scherr, Kirkwood High School, Untitled
- Zachary Baynham, Kirkwood High School, Silent Butterfly
- Ethan McGinnies, North Middle School, What a Turtle Sees

The winning photographs will be on display at Art at the Station, at the Kirkwood Train Station through November 5. An opening reception for the exhibit was held Thursday, October 5, 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

Best of Show: Anyone who attends the October Art at the Station exhibit can vote for Best of Show. Ballots are available at the Train Station. The exhibit may be viewed when the Station is open for passengers. The Photo Competition and Art at the Station are sponsored and hosted by the Kirkwood Arts Commission, with generous support from the Kirkwood Arts Foundation.

UPDATE: Judges for the competition were: David Hanlon, exhibiting photographer and professor, St. Louis Community College-Meramec, and John Nagel, Director of the Center for Visual Technology at STLCC-Meramec. Hanlon is the current coordinator of the photography program at Meramec, and Nagel is the former coordinator of the program.