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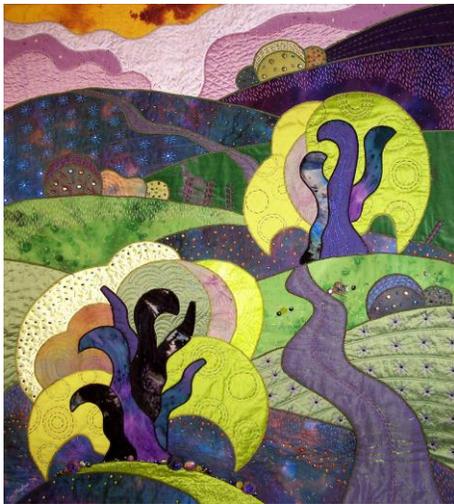


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**2014 Mayor's Art Club Second Quarter Artists**

Photos: "Wintergreen Path" by Rose Hughes and "In the Spotlight" by Michael G. Smith

PADUCAH – The second quarter artwork for the 2014 Mayor's Art Club currently is on display featuring the entries for the Dogwood Art & Photography Contest and eight quilts by fiber artist Rose Hughes. The public can view the artwork when City Hall is open, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. The artwork will be on display through the end of June.



Mayor Gayle Kaler says, "This is a special April as Paducah is celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Dogwood Trail and the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of AQS QuiltWeek™. These milestone anniversaries show that Paducah has a long history of being committed to art, nature, and beauty. We are truly a creative city as designated by UNESCO."

Fiber artist Rose Hughes' work is on display in the Mayor's office at City Hall for this second quarter. After spending 20 years in the corporate world, Hughes jumped into her quilt life in 2003 and never looked back. She has a love of all things related to fabric and has shared her stitch-friendly method of construction and embellishment in her books: Dream Landscapes: Artful Quilts with Fast-Piece Applique™, Exploring Embellishments, and Design, Create, Quilt. Hughes loves to share her quilting passions and travels the

world providing entertaining and educational lectures. Hughes' quilts are in juried exhibits worldwide, but she truly enjoys being closer to home and sharing her love of the art of quilting on the internet through her website, blog, and social media sites.

In the Mayor's reception area at City Hall, all of the entries, including the winners, for the Dogwood Art & Photography Contest are on display. The three winners in the art category are 1<sup>st</sup> place-Cheri Paxton; 2<sup>nd</sup> place-James Hank, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place-Hayley Duncan. The three winners in the photography category are 1<sup>st</sup> place-Michael G. Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> place-Phyllis Russell, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place-Paul Grumley. This year the Paducah Civic Beautification Board teamed up with the Paducah School of Art & Design to coordinate the contest. The contest winners, in addition to the Dogwood Trail winners, will be presented their awards at the April 22 City Commission meeting at 5:30 p.m.



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The eight artists or art groups participating in the 2014 Mayor's Art Club are as follows:

- Mary Ruth "Tutu" Maggard, 1<sup>st</sup> quarter
- Bill Ford, 1<sup>st</sup> quarter
- Rose Hughes, 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter
- Dogwood Trail Art & Photography Contest Winners, 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter
- Chuck Ehram, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter
- Stefanie Graves and David Lucht, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter
- Jane Viterisi, 4<sup>th</sup> quarter
- Jane Bright, 4<sup>th</sup> quarter

After a successful inaugural year for the Mayor's Art Club in 2013, Mayor Gayle Kaler decided to continue the displaying of local art at City Hall. Each quarter of the calendar year, two artists or art groups have the opportunity to display their artwork in the Mayor's office and reception area on the second floor of City Hall. For more information about the Mayor's Art Club including exhibit dates, visit [www.paducahky.gov/paducah/mayors-art-club-0](http://www.paducahky.gov/paducah/mayors-art-club-0).

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