



THE FLOWER & ART SHOW
2025



This year's Flower and Art Show
is dedicated to the memory of

Joan Drewry
1932 ~ 2025

Founding member of the Wakefield Foundation, long serving
President and member of its Board of Trustees, driving force behind
the Flower and Art Show, advocate for all things Wakefield

Her dedication, her presence, and her indomitable spirit will be missed

Acknowledgments

Arranging & Setup For Floral Designers

Abby Malcolm ~ The Art Room
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Patsy Kitchen Sherry Baldwin Sandy Priest
Brian Laine Diane Laine
Abby Malcolm Valerie Ricks Ralph Seeley
Vicky Dalton Gayle Simms

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Th Wakefield Foundation The Virginia Diner
Hampton Roads Winery

Opening Reception Centerpiece Design

Ashley's Antiques & Florist

Judging the Show

Art Judge ~ Abby Malcolm Floral Judge ~ Marge Holler

Hanging of the Show

Abby Malcolm George S. Williams

Flower and Art Show Chairman

George S. Williams

May 3-16, 2025

The Wakefield Foundation

In 1987, the Wakefield Foundation Inc. was born out of the Community's desire to preserve and restore the 1919 School Building. Its aim was to use the building as a regional community and cultural center and to provide programs and activities for the enrichment of the Wakefield Community and the surrounding areas.

This was realized. The building was saved and has been mostly restored. It houses the town library, a dance studio, an auditorium, an art gallery, a karate studio, artist's space and conference rooms. Many organizations hold their regular meetings here. And, through out the year, numerous community and private events take place in the Building and on its grounds.

The Flower & Art Show

Each Spring, the Foundation hosts an exhibition combining the talents of visual artists and floral designers into a unified display. The Flower & Art Show was born out of this desire to integrate the Community and the Arts, and to showcase the abundance and variety of talent in Wakefield and the surrounding area. The concept is simple- anyone producing Art in any medium, at any level, is invited to submit one work for inclusion in the Show and the Community's gardening and flower enthusiasts are invited to produce floral arrangements to complement and harmonize with the artwork. This unique paring of talents was immediately successful and that success continues to this day.

From throughout the state of Virginia, 42 artists submitted work to this year's Show and 46 floral designers will be producing arrangements to accompany that art, for this, the 36th Annual Flower & Art Show.

The 36th Annual Flower & Art Show

Professional Artists

P1 Sbeila M. Holland

Chester, VA

"Enrwinded Gold"

36" X 24" Mixed Media
\$700

P2 Rachel Hancock

High Point, NC

"One Chance or Death"

24" X 18" Mixed Media
\$180

P3 Russell Schools, Jr.

Capron, VA

"Poros, Greece"

36" X 24" Painting
NFS

P4 Meta Williams

Wakefield, VA

*"STILL MISSING
AL & PETE"*

16" X 20" Photography
\$50

P5 George S. Williams

Surry County, VA

"Final Flight, after A. Bean"

26" X 28" Digital Art
\$350

P6 Kevin B. Spain

Dendron, VA

"Fall Movement"

13" X 19" Digital Art
\$310

P7 Brooks Spain

Dendron, VA

"Untitled"

10" X 6" Hand Blown Glass
NFS

P8 Cody Noblitt

DeWitt, VA

"Paw Prints in the Flower Bed"

14" X 11" Mixed Media
NFS

P9 Elizabeth Blanchard

Suffolk, VA

"Before the Internet"

20" X 16" Painting
\$600

Amateur Artists

A1 Patti Watkinson

Sedley, VA

"Free to Fly"

15" X 20" Collage
\$200

A2 Trevor Brinkman

Waverly, VA

"YOU ARE HERE"

24" X 16" Photography
\$500

A3 JoAnne Clark McCarthy

Wakefield, VA

"Rhythm of the Wave"

12" X 16" Painting
NFS

A4 Niki Blankenship

Virginia Beach, VA

"Spring"

16" X 20" Painting
\$200

A5 Elizabeth R. Gold

Virginia Beach, VA

"Backyard Abundance"

22" X 28" Pastel
\$300

A6 Linda Hackworth

Chesapeake, VA

"Ocean Ballerina"

16" X 20" Painting
\$175

A7 Brenda Taylor

Suffolk, VA

"Looking for Food"

9" X 12" Pastel
\$125

A8 Cynthia H. Baker

Suffolk, VA

"Landscape, Ireland"

8" X 10" Painting
NFS

A9 Joy Branch

Ivor VA

"Beached Giant Driftwood"

16" X 20" Painting
\$175

A10 Kandice Finney

Fort Monroe, VA

"Serene Vista"

14" X 18" Painting
\$250

A11 Sarah Willman

Suffolk, VA

"Italy, After a Storm"

8" X 10" Pastel and Watercolor
NFS

A12 Barbara Veltri

Suffolk, VA

"Sunrise over the Marsh"

13" X 16" Painting
\$175

A13 Angie Miller

Suffolk, VA

"Windswept Shore"

12" X 24" Mixed Media
\$150

A14 Wendy Ellis

Wakefield, VA

"American Pride"

48" X 30" Painting
NFS

A15 Jola S. Lamison

Franklin, VA

"Garden Delight"

14" X 11" Painting
\$125

A16 Martha M. Williams

Wakefield, VA

"The Warriors"

20" X 16" Painting
\$300

A17 Marietta Klausmeier

Zuni, VA

"Smithfield Station"

15" X 11" Pastel
\$275

A18 Janet Monahan

Waverly, VA

"Beach Treasures"

17" X 17" Hand Embroidery
NFS

Student Artists

S1 Ethan Hansen

Waverly, VA

"Old Growth"

4' X 2.5' Sculpture
\$1200

S2 Chloe Kyle

Wakefield, VA

"Love Birds"

11" X 9" Drawing
\$75

S3 Jzzie Ketchum

Wakefield, VA

"Amphibian"

9" X 11" Drawing
NFS

S4 Maddox Willey

Wakefield, VA

"Fall at the Foundation"

17" X 11" Photography
\$100

S5 Camden Collins

Wakefield, VA

"Bark"

17" X 11" Photography
\$100

S6 Daniel Rascon

Wakefield, VA

"Summer Breeze"

12" X 18" Pastel
\$100

S7 Connor Fillmore

Wakefield, VA

"Claws of Protection"

12" X 18" Pastel
NFS

S8 Austin Elswick

Wakefield, VA

"Sweet Frog"

11" X 9" Drawing
\$45

S9 Kayde Johnson

Wakefield, VA

"Cub"

12" X 9" Pastel
\$75

S10 Sally Laine

Wakefield, VA

"Cheetab at Night"

12" X 9" Painting
\$100

S11 Shane McKenzie
Wakefield, VA

"Cardinal in the Snow"

8" X 6" Painting
\$100

S12 Millie Hoke
Wakefield, VA

"Morning Dove"

6" X 8" Painting
\$45

S13 Taylor Trombley
Wakefield, VA

"Penguin's Delight"

8" X 6" Painting
\$75

S14 Tanner Johnson
Wakefield, VA

"Rustic Beauty"

6" X 8" Printmaking
\$75

S15 Adam Hanzlik
Wakefield, VA

"Great Balls of Fire"

6" X 8" Printmaking
\$100

Artists Awards

*A14 Wendy Ellis
Best in Show*

Professional Artists

*P9 Elizabeth Blanchard
1st Place*

*P6 Kevin B. Spain
2nd Place*

*P7 Brooks Spain
3rd Place*

*P1 Sbeila M. Holland
Honorable Mention*

Amateur Artists

*A17 Marietta Klausmeier
1st Place*

*A13 Angie Miller
2nd Place*

*A11 Sarah Willman
3rd Place*

*A18 Janet Monahan
Honorable Mention*

Student Artists

*S1 Ethan Hansen
1st Place*

*S9 Kayde Johnson
2nd Place*

*S4 Maddox Willey
3rd Place*

*S7 Connor Fillmore
Honorable Mention*

Floral Designers

- P1 Carol Fly*
P2 Janet Rife
P3 Janet Rife
P4 Meta Williams
P5 A. Paige Webb Jr.
P6 Laura Spain
P7 Laura Spain
P8 Penna Rogers
P9 Carol Johnson
A1 Abby Malcolm
A2 Abby Malcolm
A3 Diane Seldon
A4 Becky Birtcher
A5 Becky Birtcher
A6 Janet Rife
A7 Richard Emmerson
A8 Jeanne Emmerson
A9 Thelma Wyatt
A10 Jeanne Emmerson
A11 Jeanne Emmerson
A12 Thelma Wyatt
A13 Gayle Simms
A14 Judy Britt
A15 Becky Birtcher
A16 Jeanne Emmerson
A17 Eric Fly
A18 Rebecca Fleming
S1 Anna Hansen
S2 Becky Birtcher
S3 Terrie Webb
S4 Carol Fly
S5 Janet Rife
S6 Beatrice Rascon-Vigil
S7 Cheri Britt
S8 Dennis Hancock
S9 Meta Williams
S10 Jeanne Emmerson
S11 Frances Chambers
S12 Meta Williams
S13 Patti Watkinson
S14 Penna Rogers
S15 Devon Hodges

Art Judge Abby Malcolm

When I was little, I would come to this show with my mom and it was always one of the highlights of my spring. I thought it was beautiful with all of the fresh flowers and so interesting because of the variety of different artists. I was thrilled when I was finally old enough to participate and have tried to stay involved in the show ever since. It was truly an honor to be able to judge my favorite show this year.

Art is the undercurrent of my life. I grew up with an artist for a mom, who was always creating and teaching others to do the same. I've done my best to follow in those footsteps. I own The Art Room, located here in Wakefield, which is a store stocked entirely by our local creators. I'm also the board president of the Miles B. Carpenter Folk Art Museum, which is where I've done most of my recent teaching. My firm belief is that art is for everyone and everyone has the ability to create, which is why it's so important to encourage the arts in rural areas like ours and give them places to flourish.

This year's show had a very diverse range of pieces and mediums, while also being a smaller show, so judging it was a challenge. My judging was based on a blend of proficiency and feeling. There were many pieces this year that were impressive in their technical proficiency so I expanded to what struck me the most emotionally and stuck with me. With such a variety of mediums, I judged them all individually first and then compared them with the others in their peer group because many of them had no equal.

Floral Judge Marge Holler

I was raised by a mother who tended lovely flower gardens- iris, lilies, roses, delphinium and so many others.

As a child, with little vases made in occupied Japan, I created tiny floral arrangements and placed them about our home. I loved this!

Fast forward- I married a horticulturist (a perfect combination, was ours)

Soon I was involved with the Andover (Massachusetts) Garden Club. As a member I had the great opportunity to participate in classes on Japanese flower arranging. With these new skills I was asked to do an arrangement for the Japanese Garden at The Museum of Fine Arts in Boston for their Art in Bloom Event. Later I became the Second Vice President of the Club.

On to Woodstock, Vermont, where we bought a large farm. It wasn't long before I became involved in The Woodstock Garden Club to which Mary Rockefeller was a member. We loved our annual meetings at the mansion and touring her gardens. Later I became the President of the Club.

South to Virginia- Soon after our home in Williamsburg was on the Green Springs Garden Tour- Very exciting! Farmer Joe was bored after retiring- He had to have a garden center business.

You all know the rest of the story, and here we are.

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