

The "Charms of Wendell" Art Exhibition

Our first annual art exhibit honoring the theme "The Charms of Wendell" was a great success! A vibrant art community is important to the growth of a town and its future. Artists often will preserve forever historic views that make way for needed expansion of towns, and these works become beautiful reminders of days gone by.

The Wendell Chamber of Commerce and the Wendell Woman's Club combined efforts to organize this event. The Chamber is always promoting the town and January is the Woman's Club art month.

We asked artists to paint original works with this theme in mind. This exhibit showcased the final, original fine art pieces that depicted aspects of Wendell. We are pleased with the response and juror Sarah Powers from the Visual Art Exchange in Raleigh said that the turnout by artists and the quality of the work was very impressive.

First Prize went to Jeanne Moje MacDonald for her acrylic painting, *Sunny Porch*. Second prize went to Maggie Clark, for her watercolor & ink painting of *Yellow House*. Third prize went to Sidney Baynes for his oil painting of *Nora's Shade Porch*.

Honorable mentions were awarded to Laura Azzi for her watercolor & ink painting of the *Wedding Chapel*, Kim Valentine McGlyn for her pastel painting, *Main & Simple*, and Melonie Wood for her mixed media painting, *My Second Home*.



Winning artwork can be view in the Wendell Chamber Board Room

Artist Sidney Baynes also won a drawing for a gift certificate for Wendell Printing for one digital reproduction on canvas.

We also asked displaying artists to bring additional, non-juried work for your viewing pleasure. We are awarding a "People's Choice" gift certificate for Baynes Art & Framing to artist Scott Merritt for his work, *Guitar Jimmy*, that you, as a viewer, helped choose.



The Wendell Historical Society also presented a special award to artist Melonie Wood who rendered an exceptional painting of a historical landmark.

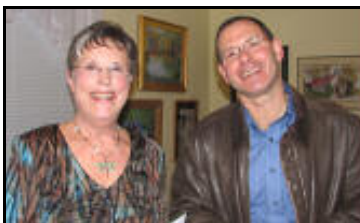
It has been a pleasure working together with these three Wendell organizations for the good of the community.

Thank you for coming, your support of the Chamber and Woman's Club first annual art show is greatly appreciated!



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Special Thank you to:

Juror Sarah Powers of the Visual Art Exchange in Raleigh.

The Charms of Wendell Committee: Sidney Baynes, Kim Valentine McGlyn, and Laurel Wetzork

