

**The Pasadena Society of Artists**

**Awarded several honors at**

**the 95th Annual Juried Exhibition**

**at White’s Fine Art Gallery in Montrose**

The following were awarded prizes at the Pasadena Society of Artists 95th Annual Juried Exhibition, still running through December 31at www.pasadenasocietyofartists.org.



Vibiana Aparicio-Chamberlin,The Martin Mondrus Memorial Award for Best Portrait

Title: Tia Blanca

Watercolor with Ink on Paper

About the award:

Martin Mondrus was a printmaker, painter, and a PSA Distinguished Artists during his 50-plus years as a member of PSA. He studied at ArtCenter, Claremont Graduate School, Otis Art Institute, and Atelier 17, in Paris. He was a professor of art at Glendale Community College and a member of the Los Angeles Printmaking Society.



Margaret Raab, The James Ackley McBride Landscape Award

Title: Verdant Web

Oil on Board

About the award:

This award has been given to a selected artist at every PSA Annual Exhibition since the late 1920s. Dr. and Mrs. McBride established the award in the memory of their son, James Ackley McBride who served in the French Army during WWI, then the American Expeditionary Force and a 1st Lieutenant and pilot in the 9th Aero Squadron on the Western Front. He died October 6, 1918, and is buried in Argonne Remy cemetery in Europe. Mrs. Eva McBride was an oil and watercolor landscape painter and one of the founders of the Pasadena Art Institute which was located in the Reed mansion in Carmelita Park, on the northeast corner of Orange Grove and Colorado Blvds.



Mariko Bird,  Honorable Mention Award

Title: Rhapsodie Provençal

High Fire Ceramic



Sonali Kolhatkar,  Award of Merit

Title: Masked Warrior

Acrylic on Canvas



Brian Mark, Award of Merit

Title: Welcome

Sculpture in Picasso Marble



Tsvetelina Valkov, Award of Merit

Title: "The Benefit of the Doubt"

Etching, Aquatint and Watercolor Monoprint

**Awards without photos of artist:**



Emily Suñez, The Chantal Giddens Memorial Award for Best Painting

Title: Golden Barrel Sea

Oil on Canvas

About the award: Chantal Giddens was born and educated in France. She studied in Bordeaux, Hong Kong, London and Los Angeles, notably under artist Douglas Bond. She embraced diverse cultures. Her love for Asian design, combined with a passion for myth and fairy tales, were primary elements in her paintings.



Albert Natian, Honorable Mention

Title: Many Worlds Interpretation

Pen and Ink on Paper



Nancy Wood Pink, Honorable Mention

Title: Taking it All In

Glazed High-fire Stoneware

**About PSA:** Founded in 1925 by a group led by “the dean of Pasadena painters,” Benjamin Brown, the **Pasadena Society of Artists** is one of the area’s original professional artist groups.  The Society is noted for its vigorous, active membership, wide diversity of artistic statement, and high professional standards. Membership is by juried submission.

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