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The Fairhope Arts and Crafts Festival Concludes the 65th Festival

FAIRHOPE, Ala. – The 65th Annual Fairhope Arts and Crafts Festival was held on March 17, 18 & 19. The festival hosted thousands of patrons that visited the booths of the artists as well as the shops and businesses in downtown Fairhope.

The 2017 Best of Show went to: Stella Coupe. This was Stella's first time to participate at the Fairhope Arts & Crafts Festival.

Other award winners were:

Festival Foundation/Chamber Award: Karen Libecap

Chairman's Award: \$750

Sculpture Category Award: Lester Jones

Pottery Category Award: Shadow May

Painting & Watercolor Category Award: Jim Wilshire

Photography Category Award: Cara Fuller

Mixed Media Category Award: Teresa Merriman

Jewelry Category Award: Jon Lee

Graphics & Drawing Category Award: Bobby Goldsmith

Functional Category Award: Maryann Jefferson

State's Choice: Regan Baker

Fran Faust Slade Merit Award: John Deveer

Barbara Hayes Merit Award: Richard Britnell

Merit Award: Ralph Thomas

Merit Award: Clay Bush

Merit Award: Tim Peters

Reciprocal Award from Eastern Shore Art Center: Joseph & Bridget Farmer

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