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EXTREME PLACES PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS FEATURE LOCAL/GLOBAL LANDSCAPES

Riverside – Oct. 20 Winners of the Extreme Places photo contest sponsored by ARTSblock Education Department reveals some photographic gems produced in the landscape format. Photographers from Riverside to Amsterdam submitted digital images by mail and Internet for consideration by a panel of seven judges. The fifteen selected artists and their works will be featured during a reception in the new Digital Studio Gallery, Thursday, November 1st from 6:00-8:00PM.

The winning entries were produced by photographers Julia Granton Buckley - Perris, Mike O'Brien - Riverside, Rebecca Tenpenny - La Habra, Jorge Vismara - Encino, Michael Elderman - Riverside, Eduardo Cervantes - La Habra, Barbara May - Pasadena, Brian Vanderveen - Corona, Jordan Douglas – Riverside, Michael Papavero - Redlands, Kristine Pagenkopf - Riverside, Steven Cahill - Riverside, Amanda Crawford - Riverside, Sandi Wheaton – Windsor, Ontario, and Orna Wertman – Amsterdam, Netherlands.

“I’m very pleased with the quality of images received from the open call,” said Reggie Woolery, curator of Education for UCR ARTSblock. “It was exciting to go through all of the work and I’m sure it was difficult for the judges to choose from so many excellent images that fulfilled the theme or were just beautiful photographs. In our side gallery we’re going to present one image by each artist that submitted to the contest. As with our annual Joshua Tree show, it will showcase the diverse talent here in the Inland Empire.”

There will be a reception for *Extreme Places* at 6:00PM in the Digital Studio Gallery on the 3rd floor of UCR/CMP. Immediately following at 7:00PM in the main floor gallery will be an artist talk with Todd Brainard and James Lorigan from *Real Uncertain: Conversation Between Painting and Photography*, curated by Jennifer Barton and Jason Chakarvarty. For more information on these upcoming events, contact the Education office at (951) 827-4796 or email at reginald.woolery@ucr.edu.

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