



Winners in Union Hospital's "Celebration of Care" juried art exhibition, pictured at the Nov. 14 awards ceremony, include (from left) **Kyma Drake, Don Turner, Laura Mason, Debbie Goodin, Melanie Cloutier, Sheila Ter Meer and Ruth Brady.**



Marcia Norman of Terre Haute earned first and second place in ceramics/glass for her entries "Serenity" (pictured) and "The Cross," respectively, during the Union Hospital "Celebration of Care" juried art exhibition from Nov. 12 to 21. About 30 Wabash Valley artists, including the River City Art Association, participated in the event.

'CELEBRATION OF CARE'

MORE THAN 60 WORKS FEATURED IN JURIED ART EXHIBITION

As Union Health continues to celebrate 125 years of caring, Union Hospital, in conjunction with the River City Art Association, hosted its "Celebration of Care" juried art exhibition Nov. 12 to 21.

The exhibit of more than 60 works by nearly 30 Wabash Valley artists was on display in the lower level atrium of Union Hospital East.

Hospitals and health care facilities have found that fine art can help patients, families and visitors in the healing process during their time of care.

Physicians, nurses and supporting health-care professionals also benefit from the calm-

ing aspect that art can bring.

For this exhibition, area artists age 18 and older were invited to submit their original images with serene, uplifting or inspirational themes.

Awards were presented on Nov. 14, with first-, second- and third-place winners in five categories.

Eight River City Art Association members were among the winners. A Best of Show award was voted on by Union Health employees.

The judge for this event was Kathy Gottshall, assistant professor of art therapy at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College.



Michaela Gomez of Danville, Ill., received first place in drawing for "Pelusa" during the Union Hospital "Celebration of Care" juried art exhibition, from Nov. 12 to 21. The hospital's 125th anniversary event was in collaboration with the River City Art Association.



First-place honors went to **Jo Rich-Vadas** of Marshall, Illinois, for her painting "Morning Light," during the "Celebration of Care" juried art exhibition.



Debbie Goodin of Terre Haute earned first place with her photography entry "Oconaluftee" ("By the River") during the Union Hospital "Celebration of Care" juried art exhibition. Her art was displayed from Nov. 12 to 21 in the hospital.



Kyma Drake of Shelburn received first and second place in mixed media for her entries "A Longing Fulfilled is a Tree of Life" (pictured) and "The Fruit of the Righteousness is a Tree of Life," respectively. She participated in the "Celebration of Care" juried art exhibition, Nov. 12 to 21 at Union Hospital.



Kari Rajkumar is shown with her painting, "Autumn Walk." Rajkumar, of Paris, Illinois, was the recipient of the Best of Show award as voted on by Union Health employees for Union Hospital's 125th anniversary "Celebration of Care" juried art exhibition, Nov. 12 to 21. River City Art Association Vice President **Todd Stokes** is also pictured.