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Art Exhibit Breaks Down Barriers
Insights Art gives artists who are blind a platform for incredible art work

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (October 3, 2018) – “I get so happy, I can’t quit smiling. It means I did it! I continued to make high quality art, even after sight loss.” – Artist Lynda McKinney Lambert.

American Printing House (APH) believes that artists who are blind should have a place to showcase their work. InSights Art is an annual juried competition for artists of all ages who are blind or visually impaired. Held in Louisville for 27 years, APH has received artwork from all 50 states and many countries across the globe.

“Young artists come into the exhibit space and search the whole gallery for their artwork, and then start jumping up and down when they find it. They are so excited to experience their artwork, on display in a public exhibit,” explained Robert Guillen, Special Programs Coordinator at APH. The competition gives people who are blind an opportunity to not only have their artwork seen by a public audience, but also to have it critiqued by a panel of artists.

“The strong affirmation this contest provides feeds the creative life of each artist, which is especially important for artists who are blind or visually impaired. So often they have been told that they cannot do something, and that includes art,” said Guillen.

Just ask 12-year-old Kaytlyn Floyd. "I entered the contest to show people I can still do art with limited sight. Everyone can create something artistic,” said Floyd.

The media is invited to attend this year’s InSights Art Exhibit. The best artist availability will be 4:30-5:30pm on Friday, October 5, during a “Meet the Artist” event. Additional arrangements can be made to interview artists, and the exhibit director outside of that time. Call or email Jonathan Wahl in advance to set up interviews.

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InSights Art Exhibit
October 4-6: Thursday 1-5pm, Friday 8am-5:30pm, and Saturday 8am-noon.
Hyatt Regency: 320 S 4th St, Louisville, KY

1839 Frankfort Avenue, Louisville, KY 40206
View sample artwork from first place winners here: https://bit.ly/2CHyDXZ

About American Printing House for the Blind

American Printing House for the Blind is a worldwide leader in designing innovative lifelong learning solutions for children and adults who are blind or visually impaired. In this fast-changing world, we believe in the power and necessity of learning to open the doors to educational success, satisfying employment, social inclusion, active citizenship, and personal well-being. We level the learning playing field by providing specialized technology, materials, products, and services that are essential for education and life. American Printing House for the Blind is headquartered at 1839 Frankfort Avenue in Louisville, Kentucky. For more information, please visit www.aph.org.

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