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New Hampshire Art Exhibit Awards Received by Pastel Artist Jeff Fioravanti

Lynn, MA – (September 20, 2009) – On Saturday, September 19, 2009, The Pastel Society of New Hampshire opened its 2009 National Juried Show “It’s Pastel” at the Discover Portsmouth Center Gallery, 8 Islington Street, Portsmouth, New Hampshire. Attended by approximately 100 artists, family, friends, association members, and arts patrons, the evening was capped by the presentation of nearly \$6,000 in awards, consisting of artist products and cash. More than 250 works were submitted for inclusion in the exhibition, of which 77 were selected. The exhibition will conclude on October 19, 2009, and the gallery is open for viewing seven days a week from 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM.

Local Pastel Artist and Lynn resident Jeff Fioravanti had two pieces of his work juried into the show, both of which received awards. “Summer Repose (Belfast, Maine)” received the Richeson Pastel Award, a product award of Unison Pastels, while his second piece “Late Afternoon Surf (Bass Rock / Gloucester, MA)” received a cash award donated by The Pastel Society of America.

The Pastel Society of New Hampshire is a non-profit organization dedicated to the promotion and appreciation of soft pastel as a fine art medium. Founded in 2006, it strives to foster connections between pastel artists of all levels, throughout New Hampshire, New England and across the United States, as well as with the public at large. Further information on the group is available on their web site www.pastelsocietynh.com, or by writing them at: Pastel Society of New Hampshire, 850 South Road, Rye, New Hampshire 02870.

Jeff Fioravanti is an award winning pastel artist who is a long time resident of Eastern Massachusetts, growing up in Saugus, and now calling Lynn as home. He has been featured in magazines such as American Artist, and Pastel Artist International, is a member of several major art organizations, holding the added distinction of “Signature Member” in the pastel Painters Society of Cape Cod, The Connecticut Pastel Society, and the prestigious Pastel Society of America. Recently honored by an elementary school in Ohio, Fioravanti has been a recipient of awards on both the national and local level, and is listed in Who’s Who in American Art as well as Who’s Who in America. Further information about the artist can be found by visiting him online at www.fioravanti-fineart.com, or by calling 781-595-5961.

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