



The Search by Maggie Kirkpatrick
2017 Bettie Award Winner



Rockstar Energy by Megan Werner
2016 Bettie Award Winner



To Find the Meaning of It by Kate Kinley
2015 Bettie Award Winner

BETTIE AWARDS 2020 IMPORTANT DATES

February 3, 2020 • Entry deadline

February 13, 2020 • Bettie Award
Finalists announced via Facebook

February 27, 2020 • Deadline for artwork
to be delivered to the Delaplaine

March 7, 2020 • Awards presentation
Bettie Award Winner announced
at 2:30 p.m. (artists must attend)

April 24, 2020 • Exhibition closes
Last day to vote for People's Choice

April 27-May 3, 2020 • Artwork pick-up

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American Boy by Colleen Avila
2019 Bettie Award Winner

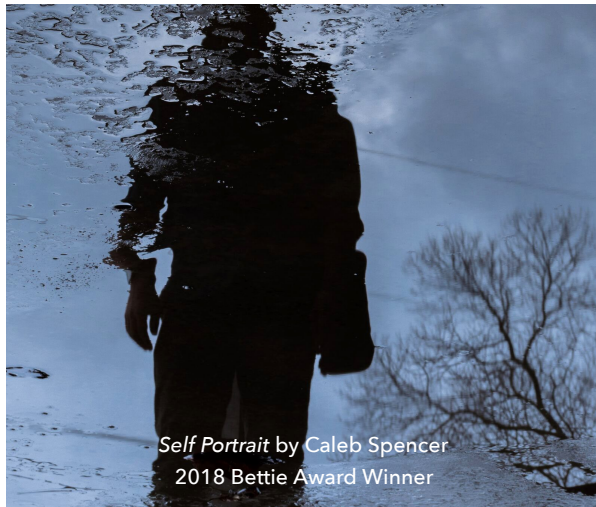
2020
Elizabeth Barker Delaplaine
Award for Young Artists

THE BETTIE AWARDS

Bettie Delaplaine was a lifelong supporter of the arts in Frederick County, Maryland. Her strong belief in the importance of the arts in our community, and the importance of supporting young emerging artists, inspired The Delaplaine Arts Center to create the *Elizabeth Barker Delaplaine Award for Young Artists* in her honor. The award program is an annual event run in March, nationally recognized as Youth Art Month.

The logo for the Frederick County Art Association, featuring the name in a stylized, cursive script.

Prize money for the Bettie Award is sponsored in part by the Frederick County Art Association. fcaamd.org



Self Portrait by Caleb Spencer
2018 Bettie Award Winner

APPLICATION GUIDELINES

Artists residing or attending school in Frederick County, Maryland in grades 9-12 are invited to apply for this award. There is no application fee.

Applications must be submitted by **February 3, 2020** at 11:59 p.m. Teachers: PLEASE encourage your students to complete the submission process on their own.

Submitted artwork:

- Must have been created by the applicant within the past year.
- Must not measure more than 5ft. in any direction.
- Can be in any medium.

IMPORTANT: Artists who are selected as finalists are required to properly prepare their artwork for exhibit installation. Judges consider presentation an important factor when selecting the grand prize, and will not award the prize to artwork that is incomplete or poorly presented, regardless of its artistic merit.

Application process:

- Artists must enter their artwork through the online EntryThingy portal link. The link can be accessed on the Bettie Awards page at **delaplaine.org** under Exhibitions–Opportunities.
- In order to access EntryThingy, artists must first create a login and password.
- Only one submission per artist will be accepted.

Guidelines and dates are subject to change. For questions about the guidelines or the online application process, contact Cindy Yount, Community Outreach Programs Manager, at 301-698-0656 x105 or cyount@delaplaine.org.

SELECTION AND AWARDS

Bettie Award judges will select finalists based on the following criteria:

- Originality
- Composition
- Success in communicating its message
- Creativity
- Presentation (second round judging)

A first round jury of Delaplaine Arts Center instructors will review the submissions and select at least 10 artists, to be named Bettie Award Finalists. Selected artworks must be delivered to the Delaplaine by February 27, 2020 for an exhibit that will take place March 7 - April 24, 2020.

A separate, second-round jury of Delaplaine instructors will select one artwork from among the finalists, to be named the 2020 Bettie Award Winner. **The Bettie Award Winner will receive \$1,000. The other finalists will each receive \$100.** All finalists are expected to attend the award presentation and exhibit reception on Saturday, March 7, 2020 at 2:30 p.m.

The award-winning entry will be featured in an article in the summer 2020 issue of *Delaplaine Arts* magazine, distributed throughout the region.

Visitors will be invited to vote for their favorite work of art from among the Bettie Award Finalists throughout the duration of the exhibition. The artwork that receives the most votes will be named the 2020 People's Choice Winner. **The People's Choice Winner will receive \$250.**