

69th Annual Otero Arts Festival Visual Arts Winners, 2025

Best of Show, Senior Division

• **Sydney Davis** - *F-Stop* - Medium: Drawing/White Charcoal - Grade: 10 - Swink High School - Teacher: Crystal Cuckow

Best of Show, Junior Division

• **Emma Covington** - *Wild at Heart* - Medium: Painting/Acrylic - Grade: 8 - Swink Junior High School - Teacher: Crystal Cuckow

Otero College Scholarship

• Sol Tirado-Jensen - Swink High School - Teacher: Crystal Cuckow

Otero College Scholarship

• Lillian Klein - Tiger Trades Academy - Teacher: Marianne Hale

Otero College Scholarship Alternate

• Owen Tillquist - Manzanola Jr./Sr. High School - Teacher: Daniel Johnson

Otero College Scholarship Alternate

Courtness Baylor - Fowler High School - Teacher: Rebecca Catherina

President's Award

- Madalyn DePriest Autumn Morning Medium: Painting/Acrylic Grade: 12 Rocky Ford Jr./Sr. High School Teacher: Cindy VonFeldt
- Courtnee Baylor Athena Statue Medium: Graphite Grade: 12 Fowler High School Teacher: Rebecca Catherina

Judge's Choice, Senior

• **Sol Tirado-Jensen** - *Verde Rica* - Medium: Acrylic Painting - Grade: 12 - Swink High School - Teacher: Crystal Cuckow

Judge's Choice, Junior

 Katy Pickering - Pottery - Medium: Clay/Slab - Grade: 8 - Swink Junior High School -Teacher: Crystal Cuckow

Judge's Selection, Senior

• **Zoey Montoya** - *The Dreaded Tarantula Fest* - Medium: Combination - Grade: 12 - La Junta Jr./Sr. High School - Teacher: Angel Ramos

Judge's Selection, Junior

Sandra Schrock - The Light is Yours - Medium: Painting/Watercolor - Grade: 7 - Wiley School - Teacher: Abi Nidey

Visual Arts Senior Portfolio

- 1st place: Sol Tirado-Jensen Swink High School Teacher: Crystal Cuckow
- 2nd place: Zoey Montoya La Junta Jr./Sr. High School Teacher: Angel Ramos
- 3rd place: Courtnee Baylor Fowler High School Teacher: Rebecca Catherina
- 4th place: Amiel Rivera Rocky Ford Jr./Sr. High School Teacher: Cindy VonFeldt

Visual Arts Senior Portfolio Honorable Mention

• Analee Valverde - Tiger Trades Academy - Teacher: Marianne Hale

Fine Arts League Senior Portfolio Award

• Amiel Rivera - Rocky Ford Jr./Sr. High School - Grade: 12 - Teacher: Cindy VonFeldt

Fine Arts League Senior Award

- **Chris Johnson** *End of Nights* Medium: Combination Grade: 11 Tiger Trades Academy Teacher: Marianne Hale
- Ehren Gonzales Paco Medium: Pen Grade: 10 Wiley Schools Teacher: Abi Nidey

Fine Arts League Junior Award

- Ava Cahill Lines of Butterfly Medium: Mixed Media Grade: 8 Cheraw Middle School - Teacher: Estefany Zubia
- Sandra Schrock Coris Medium: Mixed Media/One Point Perspective Grade: 7 -Wiley Schools - Teacher: Abi Nidey

Southeast Colorado Creative Partnership Sr Portfolio Award

- Lillian Klein Tiger Trades Academy Teacher: Marianne Hale
- Analee Valverde Tiger Trades Academy Teacher: Marianne Hale

Numerous first, second, third and honorable mention ribbons were awarded as well.