On view in the Carnegie Arts Center Lobby Gallery
April 30 — July 27, 2024

Farms & Fields is an annual exhibition that celebrates the variety and importance of agriculture in the Central Valley. Here in California’s heartland, we produce over 360 products, including fruit, nuts, livestock, dairy, and vegetables.

The bounty of the region is represented here not only by the variety of subjects depicted, but also in the number of artists featured and the wide range of creative media included. 51 works by 38 artists were selected, representing 17 different communities from throughout Northern and Central California. Juror Ben Serpa, an award-winning artist and faculty member in the Art Departments at CSU Stanislaus and Merced College, selected these works from 142 submissions. This year, the exhibition includes paintings, photographs, prints, drawings, watercolors, mixed media, pastels, ceramics, woodworking, digital media, and fabric arts. Our agricultural landscape is beautifully represented in images of orchards, barns, and pastures, but also with the stories of people who work the land and the water that makes everything possible.
Awards

Best of Show
Jared Langley, *Sunrise on Claribel Road*, oil on canvas

Awards of Merit
Michelle Park, *The Barn Off Barnhart Road*, pastel
Margaret Sloan, *The Future is in Her Hands*, watercolor

Honorable Mentions
Susan Conner, *Fall Stories*, photograph
Vivian Patton, *Horse’s Perception*, pastel & mixed media
Sue Siefkin, *Peter’s Portrait*, inked & stitched cotton fabric
Monique Wales, *Field Song*, linocut monoprint

Artists included in the exhibition:

- Anna Barber, Ripon
- Susan Conner, Altaville
- William Conrad, Turlock
- Margaret Eldred, Davis
- Jennifer Fosgate, Merced
- Amber Gariety, Modesto
- Barbara Gill, Modesto
- Don Hall, Turlock
- William Harris, Modesto
- Mary Beth Harrison, North Fork
- Kristi E. Hughes, Turlock
- Kathryn Knightsby, Salida
- Roberta Lagomarsini, Bishop
- Jared Langley, Modesto
- Johanna LeFever, Murphys
- Larry Lew, Modesto
- W. Vaughn Lew, Hughson
- Loren Lukens, Merced
- Catherine McLean, Modesto
- Geneva Mello, Lodi
- Amy Morgan, Clovis
- Dan Neff, Turlock
- Doré Neveling, Modesto
- Jackson Nichols, Fremont
- Michelle Park, Turlock
- Vivian Patton, Groveland
- Jason Schaefer, Turlock
- Shirley Sharp, Ripon
- Sue Siefkin, Modesto
- Gurkanwar Singh, Modesto
- Nicole Slater, Modesto
- Margaret Sloan, Murphys
- Margo Souza, Turlock
- Henrietta Sparkman, Modesto
- Monique Wales, Oakhurst
- Jake Weigel, Murphys
- Lorraine Wilcox, Turlock
- Carolyn Zutler, Fresno

Many of the works in the exhibition are for sale; please inquire at the front desk. For more information about any of the artists, you are encouraged to look for their websites or presence on social media.