

THE NORTH PEACE Art Society hosted a "very successful" annual auction at the MacKenzie Inn

last Friday. A total of 40 pictures and pottery pieces by local artists were sold.

Student's art in exhibition

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A Fort St. John resident is among some 220 young people from 49 B.C. communities whose artwork has been accepted for exhibition or cited for honourable mention in the fifth biennial British Columbia Young Artists '87 Exhibition (BCYA '87), it was announced by Patricia Bovey, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Emily Carr College of Art and Design (ECCAD).

Selected for Exhibition was 1 5year-old Erika Britney's "Improbability Factor," a chalk pastel. Erika attends Bert Bowes Junior Secondary School.

"From the more than 2,600 works submitted, 141 2-dimensional works and 29 slides of 3-dimensional works have been selected for exhibition; 62 works were cited for honourable mention," Ms. Bovey announced in a news release. "Through the efforts of

the Provincial Adivsory Committee on this special project and with the continuing support of Chevron Canada Limited, we are able to acknowledge and encourage the artistic efforts of B.C.'s young people. This is one of the important programs at ECCAD because it provides and opportunity for the citizens of BC to see and understand the feelings and viewpoints of our children in their visual expressions," she said.

All young artists who submitted works will receive buttons, bearing the slogan "Art's a Gas", courtesy of Chevron as part of the Company's "Let's Hear It for the Kids" campaign.

BYCA '87 will be exhibited at the Vancouver Art Gallery, September 13 to November 1 and will then tour 21

centres in B.C.

Art show

The recent Pioneer Art Show display at the Senior Citizen Hall was a worthwhile display of Beautiful Oil Paintings, pencil, sketches, and water colors. We are very fortunate in having so many good artists in the Peace Country young and old.

The only fly in the ointment was lack of appreciation of those Artists who worked so detigentently to prepare this exhibit. A total of 96 came to view very dissappointing for them. Granted there is so much going on, on weekends in the City of Fort St. John. Admission was free, no obligation to buy. Just an opportunity to feed the soul and encourage the artists who participated.

Those who had a showing were Alice Smith, D. Branch, Ruth Martin, Diana J. Enns, Margaret Hein, Wendy Fehr, Bea Parker, Gail Israel, Evelyne Wood, Isabel Riehl and Jessie Maclean.

Next showing in December, 1987.

All artists are welcome to participate.

Winners of two paintings by Gail Israel were Maria Popicka and Crissy Bell.

Art Society news

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Leona Levins, the representative at the recent Hands Across The North Conference gave a very interesting and informative report at the North Peace Art Society November meeting at 7:30 at the Artspace on the 2nd.

Leona also reported on the Expo Fund Raising meeting which she attended. Linda Scarfo gave us ideas on fund-raising and reported on the Expo Legacy fund. Freda Murphy gave a report on the Arts Council

meeting.

After the meeting Audrey
Skoreyko and Avor Thompson gave
a demonstration on the proper
method of framing our art work.

Instead of the December meeting we will have our annual Christmas dinner. Merle Hendricks offered to make the arrangements and the

members will be notified.

Plans for the Fall Show were discussed. Allie Sandy and Ann Simmons are the co-ordinators. The

show will be held November 27 to Dec. 5 at the Art Gallery in Totem Mall. The Gallery will be closed Thursday, Nov. 26 for the hanging of the pictures but there will be an Open House Thursday evening from 7 to 9 p.m. Everyone is welcome to

exciting work of our local artists.

New members are also welcome to join the Art Society. For more information on this stop in at the Art Gallery at the mall.

come out and enjoy the new and



members of the Art Society, he has lived in the North Peace most of his life. He has had no formal art training except for a short summer course at David Thompson University at Nelson, B.C., and credits all he has learned to his North

Peace High School art teacher Mildred Hazlett
His favorite subjects are water color landscapes
and animal drawings, and some of it will auc
tioned off at the Society's annual action, May 8th
at the MacKenzie Inn
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