

Park Hill Alley Art Winners Announced

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Our learned and esteemed panel of judges, including David Wilson and Cindy Cairrela, has selected the winners of the 2009 Park Hill Alley Art Contest. Drum roll and theme from Rocky, please:

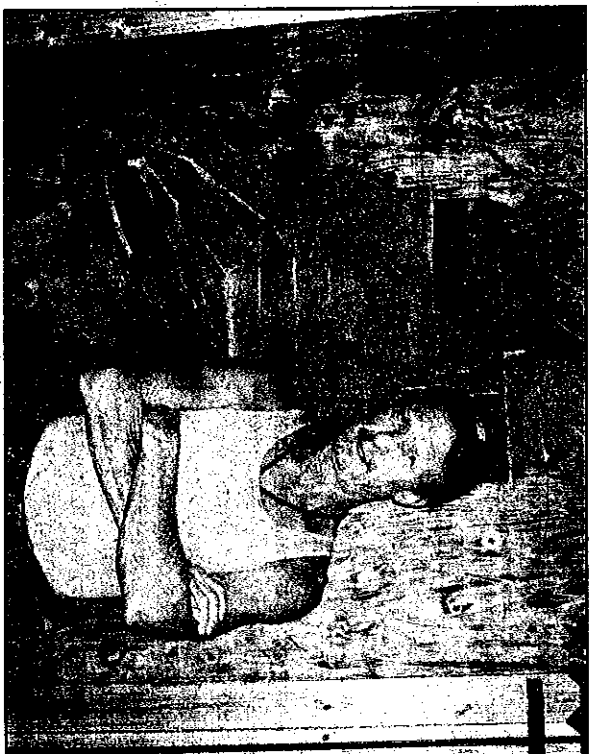
J.R. Ewing. If you don't already know J.R., you should. He is a character. And a mason. The installations behind his home at 2212 Hudson, the place he grew up, by the way, is a revelation, using rock, slate, tile, bricks, old window frames and a variety of other media: your name it. His stuff will blow your mind. His prize is a beautiful stained glass piece by David Wilson, one of our judges.

Tom O'Dwyer. Tom, from Limerick, Ireland, is also a mason and his skills are evident in some whimsical pieces (mostly with Celtic themes) he has placed behind his home at 2645 Clermont. When you drop by to see his alley art, take a peak at the wonderful rock and flagstone labyrinth he's created in the backyard. Tom received a \$25 gift certificate from Perk Hill Café for his efforts.

Forest Brush, Richard Spencer and Susan Worrner. This trio, who live at Park Hill Residence



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for seniors, 1901 Eudora St., created alley art, including water colors protected by plastic sheets. Unfortunately, recent high winds ripped apart much of the work. But, take heart. All three have pledged to create new pieces. Richard is already working on a clothes hanger sculpture. All received free memberships at the Park Hill Bookstore.

Anonymous. That's right. Anonymous. Some clever soul has installed two very interesting pieces - a carved branch and a rain stick, both with abstract wood

burning designs - about half way down the alley behind Holly and Hudson, and 22nd and Montview. Materials used include turquoise, feathers and a swatch of horse tail. If and when this person comes out of hiding, we will present him or her with a dandy prize.

We didn't receive many entries this year, so all of you alley artists out there, and you know who you are, get your creative juices flowing and place your masterpieces out back. Then, give us a call at 303-388-5204 or e-mail us at denverfarrar@comcast.net. ♦