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Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum
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Regional Biennial Juried Sculpture Exhibition opens at Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum June 4

The Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum at Saginaw Valley State University will announce the award winning artists to be featured during its 2016 *Regional Biennial Juried Sculpture Exhibition* at an opening reception at the Museum Saturday, June 4 from 1 to 3 p.m.

Eugene Jenneman, Executive Director of the Dennon Museum Center in Traverse City, juried the exhibition and selected the merit award winners from 145 artworks submitted by 60 artists from around the state of Michigan.

The \$2,500 first place award is sponsored by the Doll-Loesel Foundation, and the \$1,250 second place award, \$850 third-place award, and \$400 fourth place awards are sponsored by the Maxwell K. Pribil Memorial Fund administered by FirstMerit PrivateBank. Honorable Mention awards are sponsored by the Museum.

The exhibition will be on display at the Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum from Saturday, June 4 through Saturday, Sept.17.

“Gene Jenneman provided a very thoughtful process in his review of the 145 entries. He considered every piece that was submitted and carefully selected the award winners,” said Museum Director Marilyn Wheaton. “We are honored to be showing the work of so many skilled and talented Michigan artists at the Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum, and I am grateful to Gene for agreeing to be the juror for this important exhibition,” she said.

Jenneman was hired in 1988 by Northwestern Michigan College to supervise the planning, construction and direction of the Dennon Museum Center that opened in July 1991; he continues to serve as its executive director. He has built an outdoor sculpture collection for the campus, including 13 works by Michigan artists.

Jenneman is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire with a Bachelor of Science degree in the physical sciences. He has traveled extensively throughout Europe, China and South Korea as well as Japan, Peru, Morocco and Egypt.

“I am sure in this process some fine examples did not make it in because photography [slides] cannot deliver the same experience as seeing the work itself and perhaps the reverse is true,” Jenneman said. “I hope that with few, if any, exceptions, the final group presents an exhibition the artists are pleased to be part of and the Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum is proud to exhibit.”

The exhibition is supported by the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and the National Endowment for the Arts.

For more information, contact Andrea Ondish at (989) 964-7096 or ondish@svsu.edu, or visit marshallfredericks.org/exhibitions. The Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum is open 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday and noon to 5 p.m. Saturday. Admission is free.