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THEY CAME, THEY SAW, THEY CREATED AT THE 9TH ANNUAL ATLANTA ARTS FESTIVAL

Art, Food, and Music Bring Friends and Family Together

ATLANTA – This weekend the 9th Annual Atlanta Arts Festival filled Piedmont Park with life, color, music, and art from more than 200 talented artists in 12 different mediums. The 2015 Festival was enjoyed by art lovers, families, friends, and foodies alike. Attendees experienced beautiful weather, hands-on art activities, live music and savory bites while perusing incredible artwork from across the country. While the Festival founders pride themselves on offering a variety of activities and beautiful art for every interest, they also take time to highlight the true stars of the show, the artists.

Each year, several artists are recognized for their artistry and craft with one artist from each of the 12 categories of art awarded “Best of” in their respective craft. The winners are chosen by a panel of highly-esteemed judges, the same artists and educators who chose the participating artists. The 9th Annual Atlanta Arts Festival is proud to announce this year’s winners:

2-D Mixed Media	Chris Mason	www.chrismasonphoto.com
Drawing Graphics Printmaking	Richard Wilson	www.richardwilsonart.com
3-D Mixed Media	Grace Kisa	www.gracekisa.com
Fiber Leather	Clay Bush	www.etsy.com/shop/SalvageGoodsTN
Painting – Oil Acrylic	Patrick DeAngelis	www.facebook.com/patrickdeangelisart
Glass	David Russell	www.russellartglass.com
Painting – Watercolor Pastel	Alison LaMons	www.alisonlamons.com
Jewelry	Harry Roa	www.harryroagallery.com
Photography Digital Art	Michael Bryant	www.Michael-Bryant.com
Metal	Robert Taylor	www.roberttaylormetalsmith.com
Wood	Jeff Vollmer	www.merchantsofmirth.com
Clay	Lee Hazlegrove	www.leehazlegrove.com

With a beautiful weekend as its backdrop, the 9th Annual Atlanta Arts Festival filled the Piedmont Park pathways with captivating and irresistible photographs, jewelry, wood pieces, paintings and so much more. Festival-goers of all ages were encouraged to discover their inner artist. Kids created masterpieces at the Lil’ Artist Alley, while adults participated in classes at the Creation Station and Canvas By U! pavilion. Food lovers explored the flavors of Atlanta as chefs from 521 Kitchen & Que, Murphy’s, Parkers on Ponce, Spice to Table and more brought food to life at the Art of Cooking Stage. The artistry of local musicians filled the air providing a live soundtrack for the Festival. Attendees participated, absorbed, and experienced all of the Festival offerings throughout the weekend.

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Photos from the weekend are available upon request.

ABOUT ATLANTA ARTS FESTIVAL

Atlanta Arts Festival is a professionally-juried fine arts event that fills Piedmont Park in Atlanta GA with color and life. Ranked among the Top 100 Fine Art & Design Shows in the country by *Sunshine Artist* magazine in 2012, Atlanta Arts Festival brings to the drawing board 200 local and nationally recognized artists from an eclectic mix of 12 mediums, including jewelry, painting, photography, ceramics and sculpture, leather and metal, glassblowing and more – all in one weekend!

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