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Marjorie Van Buren proudly stands next to her work-of- art, "Hawaii", at the 8th Annual Voice Art show.

Liberty's "Voice" is Heard Art Show

Amsterdam- The artistic imagination of Liberty's individuals was flowing at a recent art show held in Oneonta, New York. The Eight Annual "Voice" art show was recently held at the Martin-Mullen Art Gallery located on the SUNY Oneonta College Campus. The show, which celebrates the creativity of artists with developmental disabilities, featured 60 artists from 15 ARC's throughout New York State.

Voice! is a juried art exhibition, therefore all entries must be judged first to be accepted into the show. Liberty entered three paintings by artists in their Liberty Through the Arts program; an acrylic medium painting titled "Hawaii" by Marjorie Van Buren, a chalk painting by Breauna Theobald titled "Dolphin Tale", and "Reflections" done with acrylic medium by Angel Noack.

"I am very proud of these ladies and what they have accomplished," says Liberty Art Instructor, Amy Devendorf. "It is clearly evident through the beauty of these pieces of art, how much they enjoy what they create and the passion they have for it"

The three pieces are now on permanent display on FM college campus for all to enjoy.

The Liberty Through the Arts program began three years ago when Amy began to share her artistic abilities with individuals in Liberty's day programs. It has since evolved into daily art classes aimed at encouraging individual's to express their creativity, originality and passion through various forms of art.

Founded in 1957, Liberty, the Montgomery County Chapter of NYSARC, is a private, not-forprofit organization offering comprehensive, community-based services, support and programs to individuals with intellectual and other developmental disabilities and their families throughout Montgomery County.

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