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Denver VA Medical Center Hosts Local Veteran Art Show

DENVER, COLO. - Artwork by local Veterans will be on display to the public at the Denver VA Medical Center Auditorium, 1055 Clermont Street, on March 8, 2010 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. It is estimated that over 75 pieces of art from among 45 different categories will be exhibited. Categories consist of fine art such as painting, drawing, sculpture and photography; applied art that includes ceramics, woodcarving, needlework and leatherwork; and craft kits such as string art, poster art and fabric art. Local artists will judge the artwork earlier in the day to determine first, second and third place in each category. The first place winning pieces will advance on to the national level where they will compete with entries submitted by Veterans from other VA facilities around the country.

The competition is an annual event that provides Veterans receiving treatment at VA facilities the opportunity to participate in creative self-expression in art, creative writing, dance, drama and music as part of their therapy, and to gain recognition for these artistic accomplishments. First place winners from the national competition will be invited to attend the National Veterans Creative Arts Festival, hosted this year by the Tomah VA Medical Center in La Crosse, Wisconsin the week of October 18-25 with the art exhibit and stage show performance on Sunday, October 24.

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