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Photography as Art



The black and white photos are by Ben Winkler, a judge in Mooresville Arts' *Silver Linings* exhibit. The photo of Winkler in the center is by Yazemeenah Rossi.

Mooresville Arts celebrates 15 years of photography with *Silver Linings*

Fifteen years is a long time when it comes to anything — think marriage, careers or even annual art shows. Mooresville Arts understands this, as it celebrates the 15th anniversary of its juried photography art show. This year's theme titled *Silver Linings* is shaping up to be Gina Ricciardelli's favorite.

As a photographer and third-time competition chair of the event, Ricciardelli says, "The theme ties in with a series of work entitled *Faces*

of Silver created by this year's judge, Ben Winkler." *Faces of Silver* portrays the beauty of aging. Photos entered must translate the 'silver linings' phrase into one of two categories: Translation by Design and Translation by Storytelling. The photographers can use either purely visual elements of design or express some kind of narrative that represents the phrase's meaning.

This is the only show at Mooresville Arts dedicated to photography. "I love that

this event's purpose is to celebrate photography as art," says Ricciardelli, "and that it really gives local photographers a moment to shine."

The competition is open to everyone ages 18 and older, and it displays a wide range of skill levels. In other words, you do not need to identify as an artist to enter.

The winners will be announced during the artists' awards reception, Friday, July 12, 6-8 p.m., and the event is open to the public. Entries

will be on exhibition through August 22 with most pieces available for purchase.

Mooresville Arts is housed in the historic Mooresville Train Depot, on the corner of W. Center Avenue and Main Street (across from Epic Chophouse), and typically displays new works every month. — Bek Mitchell-Kidd, *photography courtesy of Ben Winkler*



For more information regarding **Mooresville Arts**, visit www.mooresvillearts.org.