## **Abstraction 2022**

## **Judge's Statement**

It was truly an honor to judge the Abstraction exhibition for the second time this year! It was a pleasure to be back at the Rowayton Arts Center. There were so many amazing paintings and mixed media works – it certainly was not easy to judge.

Congratulations to all of the winners and everyone in the exhibition. Keep creating beautiful and meaningful art!

Thank you, Paul Efstathiou



Paul Efstathiou is Director of Contemporary Art at Hollis Taggart in Chelsea, NYC and Southport, CT. His responsibilities include bringing new artists into the Hollis Taggart program, developing exhibitions of contemporary art and expanding the gallery's art fair presence. Paul is a second generation art dealer and independent curator with almost 20 years experience.



The **Hu Lindsay Memorial Award** was established in 2016 for the top winner in the Mixed Media Category for RAC's annual Abstraction exhibition. This cash prize of \$250 honors the life of Hu Lindsay, an active exhibiting member for many years and RAC President from 2007 to 2013. Throughout his successful 50-year career as an award-winning graphic designer, Hu continued to create his own artwork. After his retirement, he concentrated on colleges, mixed media artwork and paintings, many of which won awards at regional art venues.

Hu Lindsay Award: Bevi Bullwinkel, "Composition 3" (Mixed Media)

1st Place: Susan McHale, "Universe" (Collage)

**2nd Place:** Lisa Berger, "Holding On" (Mixed Media)

3rd Place: Lauren Hunt, "Magenta" (Mixed Media)

Honorable Mention: Robert Sachs, "Waiting on Washington Street, Norwalk" (Photography)