Art graduates' works featured in Best of SUNY exhibit

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An Alfred University (AU) student artist is the recipient of an Honorable Mention award presented by State University of New York (SUNY) Chancellor Nancy L. Zimpher as part of the 2014 Best of SUNY Student Art Exhibition at the New York State Museum in Albany.

Henry Glavin, a recent graduate from Darien, CT who majored in art and design in the School of Art and Design, College of Ceramics, submitted "Jim White," a latex and acrylic painting on canvas. His piece was awarded an Honorable Mention award of \$500.

Art by another recent graduate from the School of Art and Design, Nicole Mekker of Liverpool, is also featured in the exhibition. Her piece is titled "Context." Her work is done in acrylic paint applied on canvas through the use of tape to create flat, geometric sections of color with hard edges. It depicts a dimensional maze in orange and purple, with several transparent, blue pyramids floating over it, said Mekker.

The art included in this year&s SUNY show represent traditional areas of drawing, ceramics, painting, sculpture, photography, and printmaking, as well as mixed media, photography sculpture, and digitally produced art. The exhibit features artworks chosen by individual art departments across SUNY&s 64 campuses.

The exhibit is on display through Aug. 31, 2014. The State Museum, located on Madison Avenue in Albany, is open Tuesday through Sunday from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free.

"We are deeply proud to have our 'Best of SUNY& art exhibition on display at the NYS Museum again this year," said Zimpher. "Showcasing our top student works from the past year, this annual exhibit has become a must-see attraction for those who live in Albany as well as the museum&s many visitors from across the state and nation. Congratulations to all of this year&s contributors."

The SUNY Student Art Shows began in 2002 in an effort to display the work of SUNY&s most talented artists to a larger audience. SUNY student art is on display year-round at the State University Plaza in Albany and in the State Museum.