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Carroll County Arts Council announces winners of 24th Annual Festival of Wreaths

The Carroll County Arts Council kicked off the holiday season this past week with their annual Festival of Wreaths, which ended on Sunday, December 5. This year's festival featured 102 unique theme wreaths created by individuals, businesses, and clubs that were offered to the public in a 10-day silent auction that raised close to \$13,000 for the Arts Council. These funds help support the CCAC's mission of culturally enriching Carroll County all year long. A total of 1,863 visitors came to the festival to marvel at and bid on these handmade wreaths and holiday decor.

Visitors also voted for their favorite entries to determine this year's Audience Choice award winners.

The ten winners are as follows in alphabetical order by title:

"Good Wreath Charlie Brown" by Steven Inge "Jingle Bells" by Candy Aaron "Kitty Christmas Dreams" by Lyndi McNulty (Gizmos Art) "North Star" by Montesori School of Westminster "Not a Creature Was Stirring, Not Even a Mouse" by Maria Myers (Carroll County Office of Recycling) "Oh Deer!" by Rachel Miller "Peace" by PSJ Orthodontics "RETIRED!" by Sandy and George Oxx "Still Nuts 2021" by Ann and Norm Lesch "Woodsy Cabin Winter Dreams" by Andee Masek

To see photos of all the winners and more wonderful wreaths, visit the Carroll County Arts Council's Facebook page: <u>www.facebook.com/CarrollArtsCenter/</u>

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