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**DECEMBER SPRINGFIELD CITY HALL GALLERY & RECEPTION**

*A reception will be held on Friday, December 13th, 2013 as part of Springfield's Downtown Art Walk*

December's City Hall Gallery features the three Springfield Arts Commission Award winners from the 2013 Springfield Mayor's Art Show: Colleen Goodwin-Chronister, John Dahi and James Cloutier.

Contemporary realist Colleen Goodwin-Chronister will show a collection of her oil paintings in the Springfield City Hall Gallery. Her award winning paintings have been juried into numerous exhibitions across the country. Her piece "Modern Gothic" won the Arts Commission prize and also was named "Best of Show" in the *2013 Celebrate Arts! Exhibition* in Florence, where it is currently on display.

John Dahl will display his 4-D sculptures of intricately bent wire that look at first look like an abstract piece until light is shown upon them to cast beautiful images as shadows. In April, his piece "Maxus Hunter" won the *Browning Show Us Your Buckmark* Grand Prize. Dahl's piece "Wild Fire" won the 2013 Arts Commission prize in the Mayor's Art Show.

James Cloutier is an Oregon-born artist whose work ranges from watercolor, acrylic and oil paintings to graphite drawings to cartoons. Cloutier's photography is archived in the Special Collections and University Archives at the University of Oregon. A selection of his work will be on display in the Springfield City Hall Gallery for the month of December. His painting "Brothers OR" won the 2013 Arts Commission prize in the Mayor's Art Show.

The Springfield Arts Commission will host a reception at the City Hall Gallery as part of Springfield's Second Friday Downtown Art Walk on Friday, December 13th, 2013 from 5-7 pm. Stop by to meet the award winning artists. Light refreshments will be offered.

Live acoustic music will be Wordless Guitar by Brian Cutean. Cutean is a well-known local artist, playing all across the country. Most recently, he played at the Oregon Country Fair and the Portland Folk Festival.

Regular gallery hours are: Monday and Tuesday, 8am-8pm; Wednesday and Thursday, 8am-6pm; Friday, 8am-5pm; Saturday, 12pm-5pm; Sundays, closed.

**What:** Artwork by awardees of the Mayor's Art Show Arts Commission Prize: Colleen Goodwin-Chronister, John Dahi and James Cloutier; music by Brian Cutean; light refreshments

**When:** Reception on Friday, December 13, 2013 from 5-7 pm; part of Springfield's Second Friday Art Walk.

**Where:** Springfield City Hall, 225 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Springfield, OR

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