



First Place—*The Woods* (Xin Wen Zhang Lin, Neelyville High School)

## Writer-in-Residence

Thanks to underwriting sponsorship from Piggott State Bank, we are pleased to announce our inaugural writer-in-residence position. The residency will be for the month of June 2018 and includes lodging at a beautiful loft apartment on the downtown square in Piggott over the City Market coffee shop. The writer-in-residence will also have the opportunity to work in the studio where Ernest Hemingway worked on *A Farewell to Arms* during an extended stay with his wife's family in 1928. The residency includes a \$1000 stipend to help cover food and transportation.

The writer-in-residence will be expected to serve as mentor for a week-long retreat for writers at the educational center. This retreat will be held June 4-8 and will be open to 12-14 writers from the region. The recipient will be expected to hold one or two readings of his/her own work in the region. The remainder of the month will be free to the writer-in-residence to work on his/her own work.

Candidates with an MA or MFA in a relevant field are preferred. For more information or to apply, please contact the museum.

## 16th Annual Art Show Held

Winners of the 16th Annual Hemingway-Pfeiffer Student Art Exhibition were announced January 27 at a reception at the Piggott City Market. The annual juried art competition invited students within a 50-mile radius of Piggott to submit art for exhibition. This year, works were submitted by ten school districts in Northeast Arkansas and Southeast Missouri. Prizes for the competition were provided by the Matilda and Karl Pfeiffer Museum and Study Center of Piggott.

Student art was exhibited at Piggott City Market from January 16-26, with a reception for artists and awards ceremony on January 27. This year's winner was *The Woods* by Xin Wen Zhang Lin, a sophomore at Neelyville High School. Second place was *Falling* by Mattie Gordon of Greene County Tech High School. Third place was *Open for Business* by Paige Moslander of Greene County Tech High School. The Visitors' Choice Award went to *Smashing* by Hannah Manes of Malden High School. A number of honorable mentions were also awarded. For images of all the winners, visit us on Facebook.



Art on display at Piggott City Market.



*Smashing* (Hannah Manes—Malden), this year's Visitors' Choice Award winner.

## Director's Corner

I'm happy to report another record-breaking year for the museum. We served 15,146 visitors (up from 8463 in 2016). Our visitors came from 42 states and 6 foreign countries. In addition, our exhibit at the Arkansas Welcome Center at Corning saw 45,144 visitors. We couldn't have achieved growth like this without your support. Thank you.

As you plan your calendar for the new year, we hope you'll keep us in mind. Here are some important dates. In addition, we'll be planning special events to mark the centennial of the end of World War I in the fall. Details will follow.

February 17 —Papa's Upland Bird Hunt

April 13-14—Riviera Reading Retreat

June 4-8—Summer Writers' Retreat

Best,  
Adam



### **Riviera Reading Retreat**

This year's reading retreat will be April 13-14, 2018. Upon registration, participants will receive copies of three novels to read at their convenience. The titles include Ernest Hemingway's *The Sun Also Rises*, F. Scott Fitzgerald's *Tender Is the Night*, and Liza Klaussmann's *Villa America*. The three novels focus on a group of writers and artists who regularly visited expatriates Gerald and Sara Murphy at their home on the French Riviera, called Villa America. After reading the novels, participants will come together at the museum in Piggott on April 13-14 for a weekend of meaningful discussion and fun activities.

Discussion about the books will be led by experts in the field. In addition to these discussions, there will be a film screening, as well as a themed cocktail party in the Pfeiffer-Janes house. Participants are invited to come to the party dressed for an evening on the Riviera.

The cost of the retreat is \$100, which includes copies of the three books, meals throughout the weekend, and a ticket to the party. Tickets for the party alone cost \$40. For more information about the retreat, including the full schedule, contact the museum.

### **Friends of the Pfeiffers 2017**

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In addition to our Friends of the Pfeiffers, several individuals and corporations sponsored events at HP this year. We'd like to thank these donors for making our programming possible.

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### **Veterans Writing Retreat**



*Thanks to generous support from the Arkansas Humanities Council, we were able to offer another Writing Retreat for Military Veterans this September.*

### **November 2017 Writers' Retreat**



*The participants in our November 2017 Writers' Retreat. Pat Carr of Fayetteville, Arkansas, served as mentor.*