

Birgitt Wolf-King, Master

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Why I Chose Brooke Terwilliger

Brooke Terwilliger is one of the most delightful and kindhearted students I have had the pleasure of working with during our 2020-21 school year. In this bittersweet Covid year of new experiences and challenges, Brooke's contagious enthusiasm made our first period Studio Art class especially fun. I believe her open-minded approach to learning inspired others in our class to create their best work, and in my case, helped me develop art lessons which continued to challenge & be enjoyable whether learning in school or at home virtually.

I chose ninth grader, Brooke Terwilliger's ceramic tile, "The Little Things," from all my 9th -12th grade student's artworks to represent Corning High School in the Master Grasshopper Exhibit. Her lovely clay piece gracefully illustrates a significant and ever timely life lesson of having perseverance & finding joy. Thank you, Brooke for sharing your creative perspective in this special exhibit.

Artist Statement

"Painting affords me fluency to express a memory, mood and experience; moments in time & place. Words flow less freely. I'm drawn to explorations of color and light; real and imagined spaces - land, sea, lake & sky. My work abstracts the natural while simultaneously maintaining a connection to its source.

These handmade books are constructed as visual vignettes, manifesting implicit glimpses revealed within sunlight and mist.

Often, I paint close up, contrasting micro views with distant perspectives to create multi-panel pieces as coexistent stories. I capture movement and nuance in layers and excavated textures, both in two and three dimensions. Inspired by the visceral and textural subtleties, wax is a favorite media connecting all."

Birgitt Wolf-King received her Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from Alfred University and her Masters of Education in Art Education from The Pennsylvania State University. An artist educator, Ms. Wolf-King has taught pre-K through college. She currently teaches Studio Art, Painting, Drawing, and Printmaking at Corning Painted Post High School in Corning, NY.