2007 NABA Artists Contest

More than forty wonderful artists participated in this year’s contest. Thanks to all of them for sharing their creativity and energy with us.

First place goes to “Spreading the News” by Sue deLearie Adair of Schenectady, NY (see cover). Second place goes to “Puddle Party” by John H. Gerdes of Tucson, AZ (opposite page). Honorable Mentions go to works by Emily Damstra of Kitchener, Ontario Anais Lebron of Wayne, NJ, Tom Pickering of Kewanee, IL and Wes Siegrist of Townsend, TN (see below and pages 58-59).

Judges were Jeffrey Glassberg, president of NABA; Guy Tudor, winner of a MacArthur fellowship for his exceptional illustrations of tropical birds; and John Yrizarry, well-known wildlife artist and naturalist.

Opposite page: “Puddle Party” by John H. Gerdes. 10” x 8” Acrylic paint on hardboard (Masonite).

Below: “Lovely Deception” by Wes Siegrist 3.5” x 4.5” Opaque watercolor on clayboard (shown actual size).