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# Gateway International Painting Competition 2017-2018 Grand Prize Winners

## Grand Prize Winners, 2017-2018

Final Juror of Awards, 2017-2018: **Kathy Duley**



First, second, and third grand prize winners received \$1,000.00, \$750.00, and \$500 cash (paid via PayPal 1 day following results received August 31, 2018).

### 1st Place, Grand Prize Winner:

**Hillside Relic by Brian LaSaga:** *“This work is very original with a strong composition and a skillful capturing of the snow in its various different states. The “flat” light of the sky is nicely handled. The artist has done an excellent job of taking what seems so ordinary and elevating it to beautiful.” — Kathy Duley, Final Juror of Awards*

[Read more about distinguished art professional Kathy Duley.](#)

See the monthly judge and Final Juror of Awards comments on all 3 grand prize winners.



### 1st Place Grand Prize Winner, 2017-2018: Hillside Relic

Name of Artist Brian LaSaga

Monthly Judge's Comment: "Burr.... everything about this painting invites us into the landscape, but you better have the right cold weather gear. First, you have to ease your way across the ice, circumnavigate the boulder, scramble up the cliff, inch over to the slightly ajar cabin door before slipping inside (finding no relief from the cold) only to realize you don't have the keys. Such is the narrative of this expertly rendered painting. This scene may not be the place we want to vacation, but Brian's skill and choice of element placement lead us in to crunch around in the snow and linger long enough to freeze our toes."

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Get the Latest Updates: Monthly Winners, Finalists, and Judges.

Cash award to monthly Best in Show winner. All monthly finalists win a free promoted painting entry, are chosen and critiqued by a different professional artist judge each month, and compete for Grand Prizes awarded in August. Artists may offer to sell their paintings or print reproductions and keep 100% if sold.

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