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Jackson Artist's Paintings Selected for Juried Show in Alabama

Virginia Shirley's Café selected for honorable mention

JACKSON, Miss., Sept. 10, 2002—Jackson artist Virginia Shirley has two oil paintings on exhibition in the 36th Annual Regions Bank-Montgomery Art Guild Exhibition. Shirley's two paintings were selected for the juried show along with 86 others from 224 entries.

Shirley's oil on canvas painting *Café* was awarded honorable mention in the category of Opaque Painting (oil, acrylic, gauche). The painting is a round café table and two chairs, the table set with blue dessert plates and decorated with a vase of red flowers. A first prize and honorable mention were awarded in six categories. The show was judged by Benjamin Shamback, an accomplished award-winning painter and assistant professor of painting at the University of South Alabama.

The show opened Sept. 8 and runs through Sept. 20 at the downtown branch lobby of Regions Bank, located at 8 Commerce Street in Montgomery, Ala.

Shirley's paintings may be seen in the Jackson area in Southern Breeze Gallery in Highland Village and in Interiors Market in the Fondren District, at the Blue Moose in Clinton, Margaret's in Philadelphia, and Interiors Market in New Orleans. Information about the artist and her work is available at www.virginiashirley.com.

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