

Local artist explores new medium, earns statewide recognition

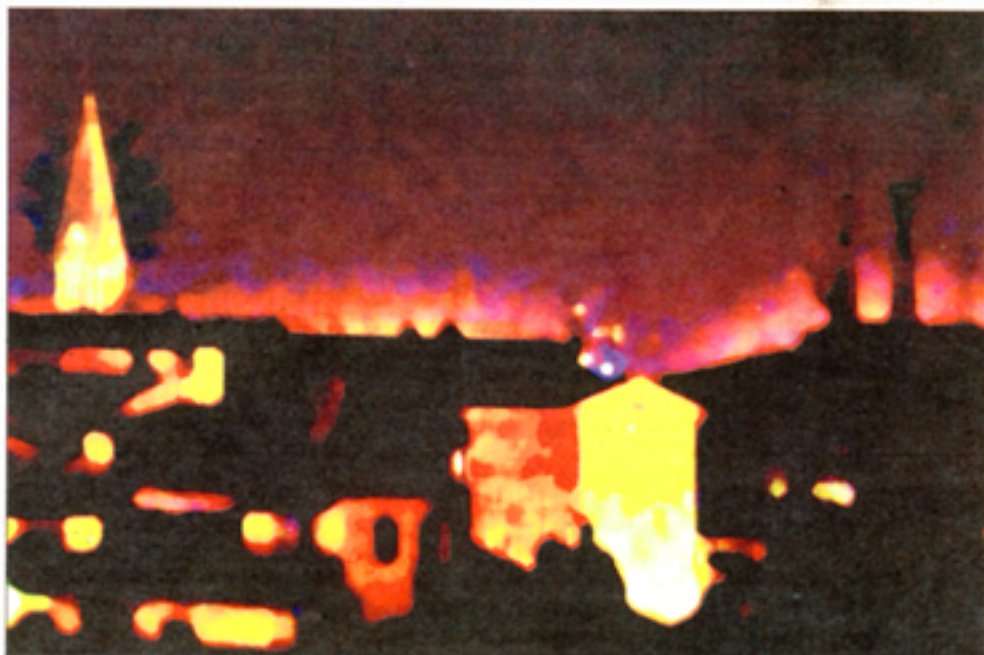
Tampa artist Roberta Schofield was one of three Florida artists to receive a \$500 merit award in the 59th Annual All Florida Juried Competition and Exhibition, on display through Aug. 8 at the Boca Raton



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Museum of Art. Her winning body of work included "Running," and "War," both manipulated photographs.

The annual juried competition showcases talents of Florida artists in all media. This year's competition featured 92 paintings, sculptures, photographs, videos and installations by 81 Florida



The Boca Raton Museum of Art

Tampa artist Roberta Schofield's "War" is part of an award-winning exhibit.

artists selected from an entry pool of more than 1,300.

"What's really interesting about this is that she [Schofield] just recently

changed her style," said Cathy Clayton of Clayton Galleries in Tampa, which



Schofield's manipulated photograph "Running" is on display at the Boca Raton Museum of Art.

represents Schofield. "She's taking a break from painting and playing with a new medium — digital photography. And she's gotten very good feedback on this work. If digital photography could be painterly, she's got it."

It also reinforces the

idea that good artists continue to evolve, Clayton said.

"She thought it was time to be playful and explore a new medium."

One of Schofield's works, a digital photograph called "Bertha," can

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be seen in "Summer Show II" now at Clayton Galleries, 4105 S. MacDill Ave. Visit www.claytongalleries.net for information.

The Boca Raton Museum of Art is at 501 Plaza Real in Boca Raton. Call (561) 392-2500 for information.