Silver Society of Canada Students' Awards 2023

Silversmithing students works from three colleges were exhibited at Anna Leonowens Gallery, Halifax, the Government House, Fredericton and the Ontario Craft Gallery, Toronto. Many thanks go to the professors Kye-Yeon Son, Brigitte Clavette, and Mary McIntyre for their work for these exhibition. Elizabeth Goluch juried the Entries.

First prize was won by **Weiwei Li** for her teapot. Weiwei is a 3rd year student majoring in jewelry and metalsmithing at NSCAD University Halifax. She also finished a diploma in Jewelry and Art Design at Vancouver Community College, where she won the Lacy West Artistic Achievement Award for her final project there. Weiwei will use her prize money to buy material for further projects. See her artist statement below.



The inspiration for this teapot comes from my personal experience. My father left my mother and me a few years ago and went to another world, but I firmly believe that he was just with us in a different way. The image of the teapot is a metaphor for myself, carrying my "home" on my back and starting my journey. In my culture, people continue to look at you from the sky after they pass away, so I chose the little balloon element on the pot lid. I hope these balloons can bring my father the stories of my journey. If you have "someone" you want to see, I hope this happy snail can give you some comfort and strength to keep going.

Honorable mentions went to:

Siyu Dong, NSCAD, Halifax for her teapot,



Noore Saleh, NSCAD, Halifax for her teapot.



Ming Peng, NBCCD, Halifax for her tea strainer.

