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Traveling art show features works by visually/physically impaired Kansans

The State Library of Kansas will celebrate Talking Books Week, March 3-7, by hosting the traveling art show, "Through Different Eyes: Achieving a New Perspective." The exhibit will feature artwork created by Kansans with visual and/or physical impairments.

Fifteen artists, all of whom are patrons of Kansas Talking Books (<a href="www.kslib.info/talking-books">www.kslib.info/talking-books</a>), will showcase their creative talents at locations across the State. "This traveling art show is a great opportunity to celebrate the capabilities of our Talking Books patrons," said State Librarian Jo Budler. "We thank the artists for sharing their gifts and enlightening us with beautiful work."

The exhibit will be on display for three weeks at the State Library which is located in the Kansas State Capitol. The library is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Braille programs and an audio tour will be available for the visually impaired. "This show was created with accessibility in mind," said Kansas Talking Books Director Toni Harrell. "We hope to engage as many people as possible—with or without disabilities."

## **Featured Artists**

Dale Anderson, Emporia Audrey Irvin, Wichita

Betty Austin, Fort Scott Nancy Johnson, Topeka

Dustin Disque, Wichita Ruth Katz, Manhattan

Carletta Edwards, Manhattan Donald Matthews, Great Bend

Floyd Hammond, Burlington J. Alton Monk, Topeka

Doris Hanson, Yates Center Blaze & Mia Perry, Frontenac

**Heidi Hibbs**, Gas **Dana Smith**, Wichita

## **About Kansas Talking Books**

Kansas Talking Books provides personalized library support and materials in a specialized format to eligible Kansas residents to ensure that all may read. This library service is available to Kansas residents who are unable to read or use standard printed materials due to visual impairment, physical impairment or reading disabilities.

If you aren't a registered Talking Books patron but think you qualify for this no-cost library service visit <a href="www.kslib.info/talking-books">www.kslib.info/talking-books</a>. Kansas Talking Books is coordinated through the State Library of Kansas and the Library of Congress, National Library Service.