
Another Double Victory for Thousander Jerry Zabel

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Ballerina #4, by Jerry Zabel, MSPE

In *Telicom* 34, no. 2 (Apr–Jun 2022), ISPE proudly announced that Thousander Jerry Zabel's oil painting, *A Grandson*, had won first place in the 2021 annual Veterans Creative Arts Festival, which was held at the Captain James A. Lovell Federal Health Care Center. And, as you may recall, that *Telicom* announcement included the spectacular news that Jerry's masterpiece had also gone on to place second in the 2021 National Veterans Creative Arts Festival.

Thousanders who have been following Jerry's phenomenal artwork in *Telicom* for the past several years won't be surprised at all to learn that Jerry has, once again, placed in *both* of those 2022 competitions as well!

Jerry's beautiful oil painting, *Ballerina #4* (a version of which graced the cover of *Telicom* 34, no. 1, Jan–Mar 2022), was entered into the 2022 local art competition at the Captain James A. Lovell Federal Health Care Center, in which Jerry repeated his well-deserved victory from 2021 and again earned first place! Subsequently, *Ballerina #4* was entered into the 2022 National Veterans Creative Arts Festival; and, in early January 2023, Jerry was informed that it had earned third place nationally.

Congratulations to you, Jerry! In true Thousander style, you're enhancing the world by sharing your remarkable gift with others. ISPE is so very proud to claim you as one of our own. **Ω**