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### 2017 Gibraltar Spring Visual Arts Exhibition

The Gibraltar Spring Visual Arts Exhibition, organised by Gibraltar Cultural Services on behalf of the Ministry of Culture, is being held at the Gustavo Bacarisas Gallery from 24<sup>th</sup> May to 3<sup>rd</sup> June. The Hon Steven Linares, Minister for Culture officially opened the Exhibition and presented the prizes on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2017.

A total of one hundred and thirty four entries by seventy-five local artists have been submitted. Mercedes Corbacho Rodriguez carried out the judging in the painting, sculpture, photographic, video and installation categories. The Overall Winner and recipient of the Ministry of Culture Prize was awarded to Chris-Anne Alcantara-Ullger.

The Prize winners are:

**The Ministry of Culture Award - £3,000**   **Chris-Anne Alcantara-Ullger**   **'The Wreckage'**

Painting, Drawing, Prints & Digital Painting - £500	Chris-Anne Alcantara-Ullger	'The Wreckage'
2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize - £250	Leslie Gaduzo	'Figure with Shawl'
Sculpture Award - £500	Shane Dalmedo	'Let's Play'
Photography Award - £500	Stephen Hermida	'Journey to the Heart'
Video Category -£500	Karl Ullger	'Badadaboom'
Installation Award - £500	Alan Perez	'Cube of Fears, Dreams & Hope'

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Best Gibraltar Theme - The  
Alwani Foundation Award - £1,000

Michele Stagnetto

*'Desde el Bulevar Hebreo'*

Best Young Artist – Sovereign Art  
Foundation Award - £1,000

Lorena Bautista

*'Shape & Colour II'*

The following received 'Highly Commended' Certificates:

- Derek Duarte *'Water on Mars'*
- Josie Barceló *'Shadows'*
- Benjamin Hassan *'RGP Commissioner Yome'*
- Gail Francis-Tiron *'Spring Doodle'*
- Patricia Bowling Lombard *'Veritas-Digitized'*
- Tiana Langdon *'Hands On'*
  
- Charles Davies *'Maths & the Urban Sprawl'*
- Miriam Parody-Porro *'After the Rain-John Mackintosh Square'*
- Karl Ullger *'Waterloo Bridge'*