

AIB announces winner of 'The AIB Prize' for 2008 19th May 2008

At a reception in the AIB Headquarters, Dublin, today, AIB's Group Chief Executive, Eugene Sheehy, announced that Jackie Nickerson is this year's winner of the AIB Prize. This coveted award identifies emerging Irish artists of exceptional talent

Nickerson, born in Boston and now living in Co. Louth, was nominated by the Gallery of Photography, Dublin Nickerson worked as a fashion photographer for many years in New York before switching to art photography after visiting Africa a number of years ago. Jackie Nickerson wins a prize of €20,000 to assist in the publication of a catalogue and to facilitate the production of new work for an exhibition in the Gallery of Photography, Dublin The three runners-up, who each received an award of €1,500, and the galleries who nominated them are:

Joy Gerrard Millennium Court Arts Centre, Portadown Eoin McHugh Temple Bar Gallery and Studios, Dublin Margaret O'Brien Droichead Arts Centre, Co. Louth

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