

## Erotic Artist of the Year Awards 2014

## **WINNER 2014**

We are delighted to add Mark Roberts' name to the growing pantheon of talented artisans which comprise previous winners of this award. Mark is the first fully-fledged 'artist' to receive the award and it is given in no small part in recognition of his commitment to the genre, his dedication to his art and the creation of his own gallery in which to display his wonderful work. Mark's unique erotic artwork is always sensuously bold and visually striking, instantly recognisable as a piece of 'Provocative Art' and has gone from strength to strength over the past decade. In making this award we are also recognising Mark's long-term support and involvement with both JADE magazine and The Guild of Erotic Artists of which he is a long-standing member.



Mark Roberts
(PROVOCATIVE ART)

(A full report of the awards event can be found on page 71.)





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We are extremely pleased to be able to make this award to one of JADE's most recent debutantes. Artist Ruth Bircham's work captured our imaginations and fired our passion for her art not only through her beautiful use of colour, but because of the subject matter she has committed to canvas; not only does she delight in the soft curves of the female form, but is one of the few artists we have come across in the last fourteen years who has embraced the rampant male member and brought it glistening and pulsing into the mainstream of modern erotic art. Her ability to turn an erect penis into a work of art is alone reason enough for this award.



Steve DE

**RUNNER-UP** 

We are delighted to make this award to one of JADE's most supportive contributors and long-standing members of the Guild of Erotic Artists. Photographer Steve DT has worked long and hard to establish a fine body of work which continues to push hard at the very boundaries of erotic art. Often innovative, Steve has developed a unique style, a blend of both subtle and 'in your face' erotic adult art photography, using his artistic vision to capture not only the beauty of the female form but also those more intimate moments between lovers which often go unseen and provide the viewer with an almost voyeuristic experience.



Len Gifford

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The winner of this year's JADE Special Achievement Award is sculptor and erotic photographer and artist Len Gifford, for his support of JADE and his outstanding contribution to The Guild of Erotic Artists and in helping to make the organisation what it is today. In presenting this award we would like to honour and pay tribute to Len's many years of hard work and dedication, his artistic flair, imagination, skill and undoubted creativity. Few artists can boast creative expertise across the entire erotic art spectrum, but Len straddles the work of sculpture, art and photography like a colossus and his commitment has always been nothing less than complete.