Village announces 'Benches' winners

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The Village announced the winners of its 16th annual Benches on the Avenue public art program last Saturday during intermission at the Music in the Plaza concert in Downtown Tinley. Winners included:

- **Best First-Time Artist:** Delaney and Kathleen Dillon for "The Adventures of Paddington"
- **Best Group/Family Project:** Dante DiBartolo, Allen Jebens, Tom Liston, Bob Renaud and Terry Nugent for "House Stark and House Targaryen"
- **Best Use of Materials:** Nick Schulien for "Up"
- Best Portrayal of Theme: Jennifer Lilly for the "Hunger Games Trilogy"
- **Most Creative:** Sherrie Ordaz and Michael Woodman for "Ready. Set. Color!"
- Best 3-D Bench: Marty Rose for "Ahab's Doom"
- Judges Choice: Nick Schulien for "Dracula"

Many thanks to this year's judges, which included Rebecca Sorenson of V.F.W. Post 2791, Victoria McNamara of the Tinley Park Garden Club, the Rev. Linda Bird of Zion Lutheran Church, Sarah Schroeder of the Tinley Park Public Library and Dr. Theresa Nolan of the Tinley Park Chamber of Commerce.

Also thanks to all the sponsors for their generous support of this project, the local businesses that participate in making this project a success, and of course to all the incredibly talented artists who bring the theme to life each and every year!

This year's theme is "Prized Page Turners." Check out all the benches through October along Oak Park Avenue in Downtown Tinley!