

Young brush strokes conquer Metrobank's painting tilt

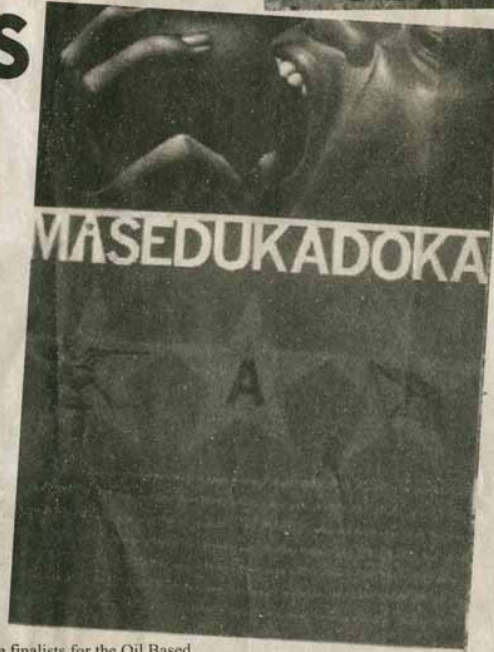
1st place, 'Aftermath' by Julius M. del Castillo



1st place, 'Unmindful Visual Pollution' by Teodoro M. Peñalfor

TWENTY-NINE budding painters, winners of the recently held 2003 Metrobank Foundation Young Painters Annual National Painting Competition, will get the chance to exhibit their works for the entire month at the Metrobank Plaza in Makati after the competition holds its awarding ceremonies this week.

The winners were chosen out of the 608 young visual artists who joined this year's competition. Winners in the Oil Based Medium on Canvas Category are Julius Anthony M. del Castillo (first prize for "Aftermath"), Leslie F. de Chavez (second prize for "Mas a Mis?"), and Johann M. Padiernos (third prize for "Positive"). Those in the

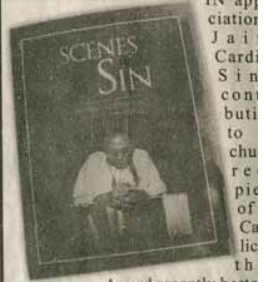


2nd Place, 'Mas o Mis?' by Leslie E. de Chavez

The finalists for the Oil Based Medium on Canvas Category are: Allan Jay R. Balisi, Deltan Rey F. Ballesteros,

third prize winners, P60,000 each. The honorable mention awardees will

Cardinal Sin receives Lumen Christi award



IN appreciation of his contribution to the church, Cardinal Sin received the Lumen Christi award from the Archdiocese of Manila.

Award recently bestowed a special citation to the Archbishop of Manila, who incidentally established the said award.

Cardinal Sin, in a special program dubbed "Authors with Sin" he week before his 75th birth anniversary received the "Lumen Christi Award" recognition of his written (and spoken) word, and what it has done for the Church in the Philippines and Filipino people.

For the first time, the Catholic Authors Award will only have honoree this year, no less than former President Corazon C. Aquino, who was also recognized also for her words and its impact to the Philippine society.

The awarding ceremonies were held on August 24 at the Archbishop's residence in Villa San Miguel, Mandaluyong City. The program highlighted the launch of the upcoming "Scenes of Sin" coffee table book, a pictorial chronicle by photographer Noli I. Yamsuan of the almost 40 years of Cardinal Sin's life.