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WINDES & MCCLAUGHRY ACCOUNTANCY CORPORATION AWARDS ITS SECOND CORPORATE GALLERY AWARD

LONG BEACH, CA – October 10, 2011 – [Windes & McClaughry Accountancy Corporation](#), a leading Southern California accounting and consulting firm with 85 years in business, today announced the second winner of its Windes & McClaughry Corporate Gallery Award.



Twice a year, the Windes & McClaughry Corporate Gallery Award is presented to graduate students in the Studio Arts Program at California State University, Long Beach. The intent of the award is to actively encourage and support art students and their efforts by recognizing and showcasing their works for all to admire. Artwork is displayed for six months in the firm's headquarters lobby.

Audra Graziano has been chosen as the second recipient of the award. “We are very pleased to recognize Audra with the [Windes & McClaughry Corporate Gallery Award](#),” says John Di Carlo, managing partner of Windes & McClaughry Accountancy Corporation. “Her paintings are richly complex and have an intricate and vibrant quality to them. Audra’s submission, titled Marie, is displayed in our lobby, and we welcome our visitors to view her work. It’s an absolutely stunning piece of art.”

Graziano’s works have been included in a multitude of exhibitions in Los Angeles, New York, and Germany. She has her bachelor of fine arts from Pratt Institute, graduating with the Pratt Circle Award for Academic Achievement and the Pratt Institute Award for Outstanding Merit in Painting and is currently working on her masters of fine arts at California State University, Long Beach. Additional work from Graziano can be viewed at www.audragraziano.com.

About Windes & McClaughry,

With 85 years in business, Windes & McClaughry offers a full range of services, including: audit and assurance, cost segregation, employee benefits, estate and trust planning, human resources recruiting and consulting, and tax planning, consulting, and compliance. The firm focuses on the needs of both publicly traded and privately held businesses, exempt organizations, qualified retirement plans, and high-net-worth individuals. Windes has been named one of the **Best Places to Work** in Los Angeles and Orange counties by the *Los Angeles Business Journal* and the *Orange County Business Journal*, respectively. In addition, Windes was named as a **Best Accounting Firms to Work for** in the nation by *Accounting Today*. Recently, Windes & McClaughry announced plans to merge with San Francisco-based [Burr Pilger Mayer, Inc.](#) (BPM). The merger, expected to take place in January 2012, will create the largest California-based accounting and consulting firm. For more information, please visit www.windes.com.

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