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CHICO: STILL WEIRD. Congratulations, you freaks! You outdid yourselves this year. The **Chico News & Review** received more than 100 submissions for the **2019 Keep Chico Weird Art Show**. We couldn't choose them all, but we did wrangle more than 50 works for the exhibit that runs tonight through Sunday (Feb. 28-March 3) at **1078 Gallery**. The reception is Saturday (March 2), 6-9 p.m., and it will feature a couple of performance pieces, including a set of light jammage from new psychedelic-funk duo the **Rangers** and a routine by the **Psychochix** burlesque trio.



Up close with Keep Chico Weird artworks.

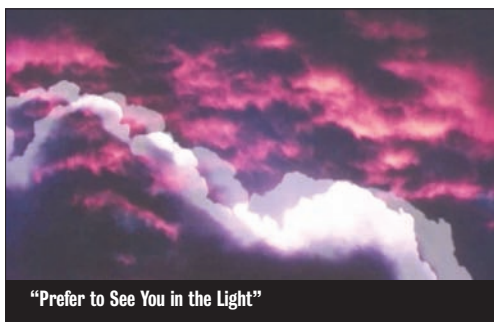
There will be a Best of Show award handed out to the crowd favorite at the reception. **Arts DEVO** doesn't want to completely give things away here, but after scoping out all the entries, I thought it would be fun to tease the exhibition with some detail shots from three of the works. Get a super-close look and try and track down the artworks/artists at the show.

Let's get weird!

AND PARADISE, TOO ... The CN&R is in the process of preparing for the **2019 CAMMIES**, and this year we are putting extra emphasis on the second letter in that acronym: Chico Area Music Festival—as in the towns of Paradise, Magalia, Concow, etc., in our area that are/were home to musicians impacted by the **Camp Fire**. This year's event is taking place at the **Sierra Nevada Big Room**, on April 20, and one goal of the event is to provide support and encouragement to those who lost homes, guitars, practice places, performance venues, etc. If you have a musician's story to share, or know someone who does, please send a note to cnrcammies@gmail.com

SIT WITH DONALD Local singer/songwriter **Donald Beaman** has won a couple of **CAMMIES** awards for his songwriting and recordings, and you should probably start getting stoked

that the man has a new album called **Open Field** coming out soon. In anticipation of the release, he's posted the gorgeous and sweet "Prefer to See You in the Light," a Velvet Underground-ish slow-burner set to a trippy video by **Dogu Studios** composed of cross-blending scenes of the natural world. Check out the video at tinyurl.com/BeamanLight and catch Beaman live this Sunday (March 3), 7 p.m., at **1078 Gallery** with **Sean Harrasser** and Portland's **Run On Sentence**.



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