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New York artist Elaine de Kooning will be in Missoula Sunday (Feb. 9) to select the winners of \$1,000 in prizes for "Survey '69," a 10-state invitational show in celebration of the opening of the University Center at the University of Montana.

The exhibition, which will remain in the Center gallery through February, is sponsored by the Montana Institute of the Arts and the UM School of Fine Arts.

Mrs. de Kooning, a native New Yorker, has works in many private and public collections, including those of the Museum of Modern Art in New York City and the Washington Gallery of Modern Art in Washington, D. C. She has had one-man shows in New York, Connecticut, New Jersey, Missouri and Texas.

In 1962-63, on commission for the Truman Library, she painted a series of portraits of John F. Kennedy from life. Her oils, temperas and charcoal sketches of President Kennedy have been exhibited at Kansas City Art Institute, the Washington Gallery of Modern Art, and the Graham Gallery in New York. Her portraits of JFK are in the Truman Library, Independence, Mo., and the Kennedy Library, Cambridge, Mass.

The artist has taught at the Universities of New Mexico and California, Penn State College, Kansas City Art Institute and Pratt Institute and has lectured at other schools. She has written many monographs for Art News.

She received an honorary doctor of fine arts degree from Western College for Women in 1965 and the Hallmark Award in 1960.

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