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DON'T MISS THIS FREE EVENT!

5th Annual

A FAIR OF THE ARTS & PEACE POLE DEDICATION!

Sunday, Sept. 25

UNIQUE GIFTS IN A BEAUTIFUL ATMOSPHERE

Featuring over 70 artists from the greater Anderson area, this outdoor event features hand-crafted works in stained glass, fine jewelry, pottery, painted furniture, mixed media, photography, etc.

Patrons can stroll the grounds of this beautiful venue, listen to live music, grab a bite to eat, mingle with the artists and see who wins awards in Best in Show and the Greater Anderson Promotes Peace (GAPP) Award. A Fair of the Arts is the perfect opportunity to find a unique gift for yourself and those on your holiday gift-giving list!

DEDICATION OF THE PEACE POLE GARDEN

A major focus of this year's Fair is Greater Anderson Promotes Peace's (GAPP) dedication of the Peace Pole. A seven-piece granite sculpture that was created by artist and Anderson resident Joel Selmeier, was selected by residents through popular vote and will stand as a symbol of the richness that diversity brings to community life. The sculpture contains six 20" tall monoliths that depict the words "May Peace Prevail on Earth" in 12 different languages. The site at Beech Acres Park, designed by David Whittaker of Human Nature, Inc., will provide established space for quiet reflection, but is also envisioned as a place of celebration where gatherings for events such as cultural storytelling, youth art projects and other community-building activities may be held.

The GAPP Peace Pole Project is a grassroots initiative that began in 1999 as a response to hate incidents and to hate literature distributed in the Greater Anderson area.

Residents have contributed over \$41,000 toward the \$59,000 project. A generous financial arrangement with David Vogel Landscape Company has made it possible to construct and install the project prior to completion of fund raising.

Featured guests include Robert "Chip" Harrod, President and CEO of The National Conference for Community and Justice and Racelle Weiman, Director of The Center for Holocaust and Humanity Education. Native speakers and interpreters will proclaim the

sculpture's translations of "May Peace Prevail on Earth" while area dignitaries participate in a brief ribbon cutting. The dedication is scheduled to begin at 2:00pm.

MORE REASONS TO ATTEND

Award winning artist, Michael Goldberg, of Attic Art Glass Studio is this year's featured artist. He has over 20 years experience in the field of stained glass and teaches this craft at the Beech Acres Arts and RecPlex. Sarah Dodds who teaches pottery and Verna Akins who instructs the Joy of Painting class join him in this show. Patrons can visit these artists' booths for more information on their classes.

Music begins at noon with a one-man acoustic performance, followed by the dedication of the Peace Pole, followed by additional music performed by the popular bluegrass band, Grasstains. Anderson Park District is providing food and treats for sale, including beer and wine.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Date: Sunday, September 25, 2005

Time: 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Cost: Admission is FREE!

Where: Beech Acres Park, 6910 Salem Ave.

Contact: (513) 474-0003 ext. 4513

***A Fair of the Arts Will Be Held Rain or Shine!**

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