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Another successful year for Anderson art fair

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Anderson Township's eighth annual "A Fair of the Arts" at Beech Acres Park was a success.

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Emily Armstrong, assistant director for the Anderson Township Park District, said close to 2,200 people attended the art fair.

"We had a beautiful day, heard great comments and (the artists) did really well," she said.

Armstrong added that the fair features a broad horizon of artistic interests.

Anderson Township artist Dave Beaver has participated in the art fair for four years and said it is well-organized.

Beaver does yard art and metal sculptures such as clocks and various insects.

He said his art career began with an interest in welding that transformed into a serious hobby.

Michael Goldberg, an Anderson-based stained glass artist, said he's been at every "A Fair of the Arts" since it started to support the community and the park district.

"I never wanted to become an artist; I just always was one," he said.

Goldberg added that he's been attending Summerfair and other local art fairs in Hyde Park and Wyoming for years.

Also at the "A Fair of the Arts," Greater Anderson Promotes Peace honored three Miami Valley Christian Academy student artists with the Community Art Award program.

The contest features artwork that supports GAPP's goals of honoring diversity, encouraging understanding and promoting inclusion.

Abby Greves, 11th grade, won first place for her piece, "The Many Colors of Worship."

Armstrong said she appreciates the community's support for the art fair and hopes it will continue as a signature event that will grow in the future.



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Lisa wakeland/Staff
Anderson Township artist Dave Beaver displays some of his metal sculptures at "A Fair of the Arts."



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Anderson Township artist Michael Goldberg was at the "A Fair of the Arts" with his stained glass art. Here he is at Summerfair 2008.

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