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The First of Many
“SECOND SATURDAYS in NEW HOPE”
Begins January 14th 2005

New Hope, PA January 2nd, 2005 - Join us in New Hope, Pennsylvania on Saturday January 14th from 5 until 9 pm for a citywide Celebration of Art. New Hope, voted the No. 1 Art Town in the country by American Style Magazine this last year, begins its celebration of the arts with these “Second Saturdays” events and will occur on the Second Saturday of every month thereafter. “Second Saturdays” is an opportunity to rediscover New Hope, its rich history and the artistic diversity. Many of the galleries are hosting special exhibitions, artist receptions, or entertainment with a sampling of food and beverages. Be social and bring a friend, a date, the family or group for an evening of craft, art, culture and education in one of the most eclectic and varied selections of art anywhere in the region. Please come and spend a little time in each gallery while you view a variety of art from local, regional, national and international artists. From classic oil paintings to modern abstract, from hand thrown pottery to blown glass, from one of a kind sculpture to wood crafters, it is all here in New Hope, every Second Saturday of the month.

Participating Galleries with activities planned for the January 14th SECOND SATURDAY:

ARTisZEN ARTS

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From NYC, Michael Albert, Modern Pop “Cerealism” Artist, will be presenting his newest work using recycled consumer product packaging. Michael has a book being released on his “Cerealism” art next year and has had over 50 art shows in the NYC vicinity. From 5 to 9 there will be a reception provided by the catering services of The Sicilia’s offering a sample of appetizers, finger food and fresh goodies.

BOI’s of New Hope

9 W. Mechanic St. 215-862-8292 www.boisofnewhope.com boisofnewhope@verizon.net

There will be a reception from 6 to 10 pm featuring an exhibition of new works by world-renowned French Expressionist Painter Michel Kouliche. Born in Paris in 1922, Kouliche is one of the painters most representative of the expressionist group that was searching by new techniques to give contemporary art more vigor and reality. After the war, Michel Kouliche showed regularly at the most exclusive Parisian galleries. Since 1952, he has been a member of Le Société des Artistes Indépendant; shows at: the Salon des Indépendants, Paris; at the Cimaise de Paris; in the Gallery of Contemporary Art, Paris; the Museum of Modern Art, Paris; and in exhibitions and galleries in Montreal, Toronto, New York, Miami Beach and now in New Hope, PA. He is listed in Who's Who in the World, Who's Who in Art and Antiques; he has won numerous awards and has works in museums and private collections around the world.

E. M. Adams Gallery

19 N. Main St. 215-862-5667 www.AdamsArt.com AdamsGallery@verizon.net

Ed Adams, Artist and Gallery Owner will be present at the gallery from 5 to 9 P.M. Ed will be available to demonstrate and discuss his *Contact Painting* techniques. See how Ed uses no brushes to create his colorful and intimate paintings in oil, acrylic, watercolor, and mixed media. Hot cider and goodies will be served.

Howard Gallery of Fine Art

77 W. Bridge St. 215-862-5272 www.howard-gallery.com framz1@aol.com

Join us for our "White Elephant Art Exchange" with wine and coffee!

Mechanic St. MUGs

10 W. Mechanic St. 215-862-8030 mecbstmugs@yahoo.com

Meet Joel Roberts, owner of Mechanic St. Mugs, a contemporary and vintage crafts store with some funky mugs. Voted (by Joel) as the Best Mug Shop in Town... Say Hi to Jack, too.

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New Hope Arts Center / New Hope Arts Inc.

2 Stockton Ave., corner of Bridge and Stockton, 2nd floor 215-862-3396 215-862-9606

www.NewHopeArtsInc.org

newhopearts@aol.com

A wine and cheese reception and an informal music concert featuring John Danaher & Acoustic Merge will begin at 6pm. A Gallery Talk by artists featured in the current exhibition - Chrisa Craig & Chuck Kumnick - will begin at 7:30pm

Chuck Kumnick & Chrisa Craig both served as Professors of Art at The College of New Jersey for more than 30 years. The retrospective features more than 25 years of their work including Chrisa's fiber, hand cast paper, assemblages and paintings and Chuck's works in fine metal, forged steel, found materials and wood. Both artists have been recipients of New Jersey State Council of the Arts Fellowship grants. Chuck Kumnick has also received a Pennsylvania State Council on the Arts Fellowship grant. Kumnick's work has been featured in international and national juried exhibitions in fine galleries and museums around the world and is included in a number of private and permanent collections throughout the United States.

New Hope Sidetracks Art Gallery

2A Stockton Avenue 215-862-4586 www.nhsidetracks.com

This will be the last full weekend for the Gallery's Opening Exhibition: *Welcome to an Artist's Work Day*, featuring the drawings and paintings of **M.P. Landis** and the sculpture of **Jane Henry**.

The second exhibition, *ABSENCEremembrancePRESENCE* will open for Winter Festival weekend, February 4-5, which brings to New Hope the encaustic drawings and paintings of the important New York City artist **Rachel Friedburg**.

Towpath Gallery

17 W. Mechanic St. 215-862-3394 charlie@unclecharlie.net

Towpath currently features the work of Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts graduate Nicole Maye-Luga whose paintings, executed in nearly photorealistic style, depict outdoor scenes from Pennsylvania and other locales. Maye-Luga was featured last year in a book highlighting 100 emerging international artists.

Other Participating Galleries and Unique Boutiques for the Second Saturdays are:

Cockamamie's

9 W. Bridge St. 215-862-5454 www.cockamamies.com decoguys@cockamamies.com

Fred Eisen Leather

129 South Main Street 215-862-5988 www.fredeisenleather.com fred@fredeisenleather.com
Handmade knives and leather art by some of the finest custom and art knife makers in the world.

Gratz Gallery

30 W. Bridge St. 215-862-4300 www.gratzgallery.com info@gratzgallery.com

Haas Muth Gallery

30 W. Bridge St. 215-862-1750 www.haasmuth.com tim@haasmuth.com

Heart of the Home / Hearts Affire

28 S. Main St. 215-862-1880 www.heartofthehome.com webmaster@heartofthehome.com

J& W Gallery

20 W. Bridge St. www.jwgallery.com jwgallery@pil.net

Natasha Pantelyat Gallery

16 W. Bridge St. 215-862-9413 www.natashapantelyatgallery.com info@natashapantelyatgallery.com

Not Too Shabby

29 N. Main St. 215-862-7093 www.nottooshabbypa.com nottooshabbypa@verizon.net

Premiere Gallery of Fine Art

Union Square

A Stage in Time

12 W. Bridge St. 215-862-6120 intime@pil.net

Please join us for this first of many art filled “Second Saturday in New Hope” – starting January 14th from 5 till 9pm.

Many more galleries, shops and restaurants of New Hope are committing to future participation with these Second Saturdays in New Hope, so look for this monthly event to increase every month.

For More Information regarding any of the specifically listed events please contact the gallery hosting directly, for general information regarding Second Saturdays in New Hope please use the contact information listed at the top of this press release.

Mark your calendar for future Second Saturdays in New Hope:

February 11th

March 11th

For additional information about the Second Saturdays in New Hope or for directions, contact:

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