

CREATE is a nonprofit 501 (c) 3 organization with a mission to create opportunities for expression, enjoyment and appreciation of the arts and humanities through individual and community participation. CREATE's Community Center for the Arts is located at 900 West 4th Street (4th & Fea) in Newport.

**OPEN HOURS:**  
Tuesday through Friday  
9:00am - 1:00pm  
Year 'round

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THE CREATE PLACE 900 WEST 4TH STREET, NEWPORT, WA

Gift Certificates are available for CREATE classes



## CREATE AT FIRST NIGHT SPOKANE

**WHEN:** NEW YEAR'S EVE 2007  
7 P.M. - 11:40 P.M.

**WHERE:** BLUE ROOM  
MASONIC TEMPLE  
1108 W. RIVERSIDE AVE., SPOKANE, WA

**WHO:** SONG STYLISTS  
- LYNNE CARTER  
- HANDS ON BAND-  
CHRIS HAMMER & STAN SMITH  
- DORENE GREG

**ARTISTS**  
- RIET WESTPHAL HAND SPINNING DEMONSTRATION  
SEE RIET SPIN DIRECTLY FROM HER BUNNY, SNOWFLAKE  
- JUDY GRAHAM 4 SHAFT HAND WEAVING  
DEMONSTRATION  
- PATRICIA A. HICKS RUIZ INTERACTIVE GLOBAL  
ART PROJECT. MAKE YOUR OWN ART PROJECT UNDER  
PAT'S DIRECTION

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*Presents:*

## Howard's Follies 2008

*(Our 5<sup>th</sup> year of insanity)*

# "OUR 'cow' TOWN"

*YIPPI YI YI! The Fandango show is coming to town...  
Come with us to these daring days of yesteryear;  
When men wore men, women wore women, and cows were...  
Well, nobody's quite figured that out yet.  
(Wearing of western garb is greatly encouraged).  
Showing Every Weekend in February*

at  
**The CREATE Place, 4<sup>th</sup> & Fea, Newport, WA.**

Friday 7pm	Saturday 7pm	Sunday 3pm
-	Feb. 2 <sup>nd</sup> (Sold Out)	Feb. 3 <sup>rd</sup>
-	Feb. 9 <sup>th</sup>	Feb. 10 <sup>th</sup>
*Feb. 15 <sup>th</sup>	Feb. 16 <sup>th</sup>	Feb. 17 <sup>th</sup>
*Feb. 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Feb. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Feb. 24 <sup>th</sup>

\*We have added two performances

For Reserve Tickets  
call CREATE 447-9277  
or email [create@surf1.ws](mailto:create@surf1.ws)

-Reserve Tickets Strongly Recommended - All tickets at-the-door \$10  
Tickets on sale January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2008

Tickets are \$10 Adults and \$8 Over 65 & Under 16

# CALENDAR of EVENTS

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Open Mic Night**  
 1st Friday of each month  
 7-9 pm \$3.00  
 Host Stan Smith

### CALL FOR WEB SITE ART

Construction on CREATE's new web site is nearly complete. We are currently adding art content to the site. This is an opportunity for area artists to have their work appear online with no charge at this time. We can work with slides, photographs, digital photos and CD's of your work. In addition, the purchase of an ad in our quarterly newsletter includes a free link on CREATE's web site to your personal website.

### Three Ways to Increase Visibility and Sales of Your Art

1. **FREE**—submit your art to CREATE to be included on our web site
2. **\$10 per Quarter**—buy a web site ad in CREATE's newsletter and receive a **FREE** link on our web site.
3. **\$25 per quarter**—buy a business card ad in CREATE's newsletter and receive a **FREE** link on our web site.

For further information, contact CREATE

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

CREATE, IN NEWPORT, WA, HAS ANNOUNCED ITS EXHIBIT SCHEDULE FOR THE 2007-08 SEASON. THE COMING YEAR IS FILLED WITH EXCITING AND INNOVATIVE EXHIBITS GUARANTEED TO DELIGHT THE EYE AND SOUL OF THE VIEWER. TALENTED AREA ARTISTS WILL CONTRIBUTE THEIR SKILLS AND VISION TO THE SHOWS. BELOW IS A HANDY, CUT-OUT FOR PLACING IN APPOINTMENT BOOKS AND CALENDARS AS A REMINDER TO ATTEND AND ENJOY THE EXHIBITS.

OCT. 2007	THE ART OF FIBER
NOV. 2007	FREEFORM AND WHEEL
DEC. 2007	THE HOLIDAY ARTISTS' SHOP
JAN. 2008	OPEN
FEB. 2008	THE WILD AND WOOLY WEST
MAR. 2008	PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS
APR. 2008	GLOBAL ART PROJECT
MAY 2008	IMAGINATION CENTRAL - KIDS' ART
JUNE 2008	RHUBARB, BIRDHOUSES AND GLOBAL ART
JUL. 2008	SHIRLEY BIRD WRIGHT
AUG. 2008	OPEN
SEP. 2008	THE ART OF QUILT AND FIBER
OCT. 2008	LIONS AND TIGERS AND BEARS, OH MY!
NOV. 2008	FREEFORM AND WHEEL
DEC. 2008	THE HOLIDAY ARTISTS' SHOP

CREATE WELCOMES IDEAS FOR NEW EXHIBITS AS WELL AS NOMINATIONS OF ARTISTS FOR SOLO EXHIBITS. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT CREATE AT 447-0277

### Membership Opportunities

Our base, our core, our possibilities develop because of our members. Join CREATE, support our efforts for the Arts and community.

CREATE is a nonprofit community arts organization devoted to encouraging a wider and deeper understanding of the Arts and Humanities by providing innovative and accessible opportunities for appreciation, education and participation in the Arts for all ages. Your membership supports important programs such as music, concerts, visual arts courses, and lectures, open mic night, Artists Shop, Gallery Exhibits and opportunities.

Join us today and receive invitations to openings and special events.

- Subscribing Member: \$25 annual donation per household
- Patron Member: \$100 annual donation per household
- Lifetime Member: \$1,000 one-time donation per household

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ *As you would like it to appear on our membership list*

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Want to be on our email alert list? Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check your mailing label and look for a date to the right of your name. This date indicates when your membership year ends. A "+" means you are a lifetime members, a "P" means you are a patron member.

### Message from the President:

The holidays are approaching quickly for all of us, and CREATE is no exception. The Holiday Artists' Shop is in full swing and if you haven't had a chance to experience the unusual and beautiful things made by local artists, you are in for a treat. Beginning November 30 through Saturday December 22, Monday through Saturday from 11 am to 6 pm, you can shop to your heart's content and meet one of the artists on duty. Community support is so important for each artist, not only from sales but from encouragement as well.

A special surprise is a concert on Monday, December 17 from 7-10 pm when you can enjoy the music of Dorene Greg and receive 10 percent off on your purchases. Come by for great music and shop, shop, shop.

The annual Membership drive is in full swing-- send in your membership NOW to help ensure CREATE'S ability to keep the programs.

The CREATE Place has a new paint job on the outside of the building thanks to the work of Reggie the Painter, who was able to fit us into his tight schedule. Thanks Reggie, and thanks to Bill Fouts for putting up the window covers and insulating our doors to keep us warmer this winter.

January will be busy as Howard Wildin gets the troops in gear for Howard's Follies in February. Buy your tickets in advance at CREATE to make sure you can get them. Artists, check the listings of the exhibits planned by Pat Ruiz, our Exhibit Chair and bring in your pieces to display; we would love to have you, and you may get a sale. If you want to teach a class, let Linda Karr know as she is always looking for new teachers and classes.

Those of you who want to volunteer at the First Night Spokane celebration in Spokane Dec. 31, featuring some of our artists and performers from Newport, come by and sign up for a shift and get into the event free. **So much going on, so much fun to experience.**

Thanks for your help and support; see you soon at CREATE.

*Bill Numbers*  
 President

## UPCOMING EXHIBITS

### CREATE EXHIBIT SCHEDULE 2007-2008

**January 2008 TBA**

**February 2008 The Wild and Wooly West February 1-27**

An exhibit featuring western art in its many forms will accompany our annual presentation of Howard's Follies. Landscapes, leather items, barbed wire, Native American art, representations of cowboys and cowgirls—anything western is welcomed in this exhibit.  
 Drop-Off January 31, 9-1  
 Pick-Up February 28, 9-1

**March 2008 Photographic Arts March 1-26**

Photographs, photos incorporated with other media, any art concerning photography will be accepted.  
 Drop-Off February 28, 9-1  
 Pick-Up March 27, 9-1

**April 2008 Global Art Project April 1-22**

An international Peace effort which pairs artists from across the globe in an exchange of art. Applications are available at CREATE. This exhibit will show the art created by area artists.  
 Drop-Off March 27, 9-1  
 Pick-Up April 22, 9-1

**May 2008 Imagination Central - Kids' Art April 23-May 28**

Art created by young people, aged 17 and under, will be the focus of the exhibit. Any medium is welcome.  
 Drop-Off April 22, 9-1  
 Pick-Up May 29, 9-1

**June 2008 Rhubarb, Birdhouses and Global Art June 1-25**

A continuation of our April exhibit, this portion will feature the art that is sent to our local artists as part of the international exchange. In concert with our annual Rhubarb Festival, we will feature food-themed art as well as member-built birdhouses which will be auctioned during the Festival. In addition, the continuation of our April Global Art exhibit will feature exchanged art received from other areas.  
 Drop-Off May 29, 9-1  
 Pick-Up June 26, 9-1

**July 2008 Shirley Bird Wright July 1-August 28**

One of CREATE's most popular instructors, Shirley Bird Wright is an acclaimed artist active in the regional arts community for many years. She teaches and exhibits in a number of venues. We are pleased to show Shirley's work in a solo exhibit. Reception, Friday, July 18, 5:30-7:30.

All works submitted for CREATE exhibits must be properly prepared for display and labeled, on the back, with the artist's name, title of work and price or NFS. Although space constraints may limit the number of pieces shown, artists are encouraged to submit multiple entries. CREATE reserves the right to make determinations of community acceptability of subject matter.

### EXHIBITS FOR YOU

If you have a group that would like to come to CREATE and see an exhibit after business hours we would be happy to arrange someone to be there for you. Many of the art pieces on display are for sale so you will find many wonderful opportunities to support local artists.

CREATE is a grateful recipient of support through the Operational Support Program and the Arts Participation Initiative of



## December 2007

### YOGA

No Yoga in December. Classes resume on Thursday, January 3, 2008.

### BLOCK PRINT GREETING CARDS

**Instructor: Patricia Ruiz**

**Saturday, December 1, 10 A.M. – 2 P.M. \$35**

Join Pat in a traditional block printing class. Make your own greeting cards just in time for the Holiday season. All materials supplied. No experience needed. Open to teens and adults. Not suitable for children.

### STAINED GLASS FUNDAMENTALS

**Instructor: Phyllis Cline**

**Wednesdays, December 5 and 12, 6-10 P.M.**

**\$65 for both days**

If you have always wanted to learn how to work in stained glass, now's a good time. You will learn to cut, assemble, solder, and finish a **copper foil stained glass angel** in eight hours. If you find enjoyment, you can continue on with bigger and better projects. This fundamentals class will repeat the first two weeks of each month, January and February 2008. See samples of Phyllis's work in the CREATE Place office. Pre-registration required.

### STAINED GLASS WORKSHOP

**Instructor: Phyllis Cline**

**Wednesdays, December 5, 12, 19, 6-10 P.M.**

**\$10 for the workshop evening.**

This workshop is for those who have taken Phyllis' Stained Glass Fundamentals class or by instructor permission. Students provide tools and glass.

### FLAT REED TOTE BASKET

**Instructor: Olivia Giannasi**

**Friday, December 7, 9 A.M. – 5 P.M.**

**\$12**

Another of Olivia's great baskets. Make a large or small flat reed tote bag, approximately 8x20 or 6x12 inches. All basket materials provided. You bring 10 feet of nylon webbing for large tote; 8 feet of nylon webbing for small tote, 12 clothes pins, heavy-duty scissors, needle-nosed pliers, and a potluck dish for lunch (microwave or refrigerator only). Sew webbing together at ends with a flat seam—call for further directions.

### 'IT'S A COLORFUL LIFE: COLOR WORKSHOP'

**Instructor: Shirley Bird Wright**

**Saturday, December 8, 10 A.M. – 3 P.M. \$35**

Learn to make any color you want, and you'll create your own watercolor color charts for reference. By the end of the class, you will have solved 80% of your color mixing problems—the other 20% is just a little more practice on your own to make it become second nature. Call CREATE for a supply list. Shirley will also have tubes of color and watercolor paper for sale.

### HEIRLOOM SANTA

**Instructor: Sherry Mays**

**Monday and Tuesday, December 10 and 11.**

**3 P.M. – 9 P.M. \$78**

Create a Santa like the ones you've seen in magazines. Sherry gives step-by-step guidance as you put life into the face YOU sculpt from polymer clay. Learn to use an armature and make a one-of-a-kind 23 inch tall standing Santa. You provide fabric and embellishments to clothe your Santa. Fee includes pattern, clay, armature, and base. Call CREATE for a suggested materials list. See a sample of Sherry's Santa in The CREATE Place office.

### NEEDLE-FELT THREE-DIMENSIONAL SANTA ORNAMENT

**Instructor: Diane Balbi**

**Thursday, December 13, 1 – 4 P.M. \$45**

Needle-felt your own Santa head ornament with face detailing using only wool roving and felting needles. Diane will walk you through, step-by-step, creating this heirloom for your tree. Santa is approximately 9 inches tall.

All materials are provided—wool roving, felting needles, felting base, and instructions. You will have enough supplies to create one Santa at CREATE and one at home. Diane also has additional materials available for sale for those of you who just can't stop with two SANTAS! Pre-register now. See a sample at The CREATE Place office.

### INSTRUCTORS WANTED

Share your talents, hobbies, and artistic endeavors with others. CREATE is looking for instructors for Spring classes. Contact CREATE 447.9277 with your ideas.

### WATERCOLOR

**Instructor: Shirley Bird Wright**

**Third Friday, December 21, 10 A.M.-3 P.M. \$35**

Basics and Beyond. There's always something new. Thrill yourself with evidence of your own artistry! This class meets the third Friday of each month. Join Shirley in an all-day class with a working lunch. Beginners as well as advanced painters are invited to share, experiment, and have fun. Shirley's "techie" degree in Visual Media brings another perspective to her excitement about watercolor. Shirley provides demonstrations, hands-on work, and one-on-one advice. You'll need brushes, paint, and Arches Watercolor 140 lb. paper. Supplies are available for purchase at the class. Another plus, Shirley is now a certified Terry Madden instructor. Pre-register or just drop in for this class!

### ANTLER OR CURVED DRIFTWOOD BASKET

**Instructor: Olivia Giannasi**

**Saturday, December 15, 9 A.M. – 5 P.M. \$12**

Olivia is back with another of her innovative baskets. Plan to spend the day. Olivia will provide the basket materials. YOU BRING THE ANTLER OR CURVED DRIFTWOOD, 12 clothespins, heavy-duty scissors, needle-nose pliers, and a potluck dish for lunch. Teens may enroll with instructor permission. See a sample of this basket at The CREATE Place office.

## January 2008

### YOGA

**Instructor: Sally Clark**

**Sunrise Sessions: Wednesdays and Fridays, 6-7:30 A.M.**

**Sunset Sessions: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5-6:30 P.M. Classes begin Tuesday, January 8, 2008. No class Thursday, January 31. Drop in students welcome. Call for prices.**

All levels from beginners up are welcome. Rejuvenation through the ancient practice of Hatha Yoga. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a blanket and Yoga mat, if you have one.

### STAINED GLASS FUNDAMENTALS

**Instructor: Phyllis Cline**

**Wednesdays, January 9 and 16.**

See information in December's class list.

### STAINED GLASS WORKSHOP

**Instructor: Phyllis Cline**

**Wednesdays, January 9, 16, 23, 30**

See information in December's class list.

### COILED BASKET

**Instructor: Sherry Mays**

**Saturday, January 12, 10:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. \$30**

Use everyday materials to create a basket that is functional and a work of art. You will learn the lazy-squaw stitch and wrap a center 'core' with various yarns to create a geometric pattern. The pattern comes with designs as well as an explanation of other fibers used by Native Americans. Includes pattern and supplies. See a sample at the CREATE Place office. Pre-registration required.

### WATERCOLOR

**Instructor: Shirley Bird Wright**

**Third Friday, January 18, 10-3 pm \$35**

See class description in December's class list.

### PASTEL FOR BEGINNERS WORKSHOP

**Instructor: Patricia Ruiz**

**Saturday, January 19, 10 A.M. – 2 P.M. \$35**

An introduction to pastel. Instruction in the basics of applying pastel to paper. This class will touch on various means of application such as blending, stippling, layering, etc. A number of practice exercises will lead to the completion of a small pastel painting. A supply list is available at CREATE. See samples of Pat's work at the CREATE Place.

### WOVEN TWIG BIRDHOUSE

**Instructor: Sherry Mays**

**Saturday, January 26, 10 A.M. – 1 P.M. \$20**

Weave a natural materials birdhouse. No previous basket weaving experience is necessary. Materials used depend on what is around you, so each basket you make is unique. Sherry will bring lots of supplies. **Great activity for a group.** See a sample of Sherry's woven twig birdhouse in The CREATE Place Office. Look for this class again in the late spring or early summer, when we will take a walk to find our basket-making materials.

## February 2008

### YOGA

**Instructor: Sally Clark**

**Sunrise Sessions: Wednesdays and Fridays, 6-7:30 A.M.**

**Sunset Sessions: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5-6:30 P.M.**

See description in January class list.

### GLOBAL ART WORKSHOP

**Instructor: Patricia Ruiz**

**Saturday, February 2, 10 A.M. – 2 P.M. Class fee is \$20; you will also need to register for Global Art Project--\$15**

Bring your idea expressing world peace and any special materials you may need to construct your artwork. CREATE will supply basic materials and guidance in completing your project. Your work will be displayed in CREATE's Global Art Project exhibit in April 2008, and then exchanged for your assigned partner. A follow up workshop is scheduled for Wednesday, March 12. Call CREATE for more information on the Global Art Project. Suitable for children and adults.

### STAINED GLASS FUNDAMENTALS

**Instructor: Phyllis Cline**

**Wednesdays, February 6 and 13**

See information in December's class list.

### STAINED GLASS WORKSHOP

**Instructor: Phyllis Cline**

**Wednesdays, February 6, 13, 20, 27**

See information in December's class list.

### BIRCH BARK POUCH

**Instructor: Sherry Mays**

**Friday, February 8, 9 A.M. – 5 P.M. \$60**

Learn about harvesting natural birch bark and use a mold to weave this 5 inch by 7 inch pouch. Fee includes all materials and printed pattern. See a sample of this Birch Bark Pouch in The CREATE Place office.

### WATERCOLOR

**Instructor: Shirley Bird Wright**

**Friday, February 15, 10 A.M. – 3 P.M. \$35**

See information in December's class list.

### LACY FELTED WOOL SCARF

**Instructor: Robert Karr**

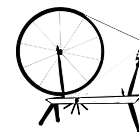
**Saturday, February 16, 10 A.M. – 1:00 P.M. \$30**

Work with 100% natural and dyed wool fiber to create a one-of-a-kind wool scarf with embellishments. Scarf size varies with amount of wool used. These scarves are light weight but warm. You will be working with small amounts of water and soap. Bring a plastic bag to take your scarf home. See an example of Robert's lacy wool scarves in The CREATE Place office.

### FIBER ARTS STUDIO WEDNESDAYS

Wednesdays, 9am-noon \$1.50 per session

Each Wednesday morning the upstairs space at CREATE is alive with the sounds of laughter, conversation, and happy work. Come share your hand-spinning, weaving, knitting, crochet, needlework, quilting, etc. projects with others. And bring a friend! Beginners and newcomers always welcome. Expect the unexpected!



### HOW TO REGISTER

You may register BY MAIL or IN PERSON for any of CREATE's classes. Registration is simple: if you want to participate in a class, you pay the tuition and we put your name on the roster. You are now registered! (Open studios do not require registration.) If we don't have the minimum number of students registered by three days before the class, we will cancel the class and give you a full refund. If you need to withdraw from a class, let us know no later than THREE DAYS PRIOR to the scheduled class date and we will refund your payment, less a 10 percent administrative fee.

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www.createarts.org  
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Check out our website for further information on projects, events, & artists living in the Pend Oreille Valley, and more. You'll also find photos and links to other great websites.



## Board of Directors

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Board meetings are open to the public and held on the first and third Wednesdays of each month; 3-5 pm. Please call ahead if you wish to be on the agenda. 447-9277



## The Hands On Band...In Concert Saturday, January 19, 2008 at CREATE

'Utilizing piano, guitar, and percussion, The Hands On Band have developed a unique musical style to accompany the many and varied songs from the mind of Stan Smith.

The Hands On Band will sometimes make you laugh, make you cry, or maybe just make you wonder why - but whatever magic they're conjuring, you will be thoroughly entertained by these accomplished performers.'

Tickets in advance are \$10 for adults; \$8 for seniors 65+ and children under 18. All tickets at the door are \$10. Great idea for a stocking stuffer. Tickets available at CREATE beginning mid-December. Visit The Hands On Band web site at [www.thehandsonband.com](http://www.thehandsonband.com)

## GLOBAL ART PROJECT APPROACHING

Time for the biennial Global Art Project for Peace is rapidly approaching. Once again, CREATE will participate in this worthwhile and entertaining project. Participants may pick up application forms at CREATE. Once registered, you may complete an art work of your choosing which expresses your personal vision of world peace. Individual art works will be displayed at CREATE during the month of April 2008. Documented work may be submitted to the Global Art Project to be included in the GAP Art Bank. During the week of April 23-30, art works will be exchanged for the work of other artists throughout the world. Works received from these artists will be displayed at CREATE during the month of June 2008 and then become the property of participating artists.

A new feature of the Global Art Project this year, will be a group work that will be started at CREATE's showcase event on New Year's Eve, First Night in Spokane. Pat Ruiz will direct attendees at this event in creation of elements of the collaborative art work. The work will then be assembled, under her direction, at CREATE. The finished piece will be included in CREATE's Global Art Project display.

Another facet of the Global Art Project is Let's All Join Hands. Anyone may submit a decorated paper hand silhouette to be displayed at CREATE and then sent to Tucson, AZ for inclusion in the permanent collection.

To enhance the Global Art Project experience, CREATE will host the following Global Art Project Workshops:

**FIRST NIGHT PROJECT**— completion and assembly of the project begun at First Night in Spokane December 31, 2007, Masonic Lodge, 7 P.M. -11:40 P.M.

**YOUR G.A.P. PROJECT** — come with an idea and any special materials you may need. CREATE will act as your workplace and provide additional materials and supervision at nominal cost

**LET'S ALL JOIN HANDS** — Create will supply the workplace, materials and supervision, for construction of your decorated hand silhouettes, at a nominal fee.

Dates and fees for the workshops will be announced in CREATE's monthly online alerts and in press releases to local news venues.

Many of our neighboring artists have their own websites.  
Please support them by shopping at their sites.

Name	Web Address	Specialties
<b>Robert Karr</b> Newport Naturals At Spruce Corner	<a href="http://www.sprucecorner.com">www.sprucecorner.com</a>	<i>Iris; Fiber Arts</i>
<b>Shirley Bird Wright</b>	<a href="http://www.shirleybird.com">www.shirleybird.com</a>	<i>Watercolor; Oil; Graphic Design; Website Design</i>
<b>Patricia A. Hicks Ruiz</b>	<a href="http://www.lifepatterns.homestead.com">www.lifepatterns.homestead.com</a>	<i>Paintings; Original Paper Dolls, Children's Books</i>
<b>Sarah Turner</b>	<a href="http://www.sarahroseturner.com">www.sarahroseturner.com</a>	<i>Photography</i>
<b>Shop The Frontier</b>	<a href="http://www.shopthefrontier.org">www.shopthefrontier.org</a>	<i>Unique handcrafted gifts from NW Washington</i>



## Featured Artist: Karen Sweeney

Karen Sweeney strives for honest accurate high-quality free-hand original artwork that celebrates the unique beauty of man and nature. She believes that true creativity is best served when generated from the skill, knowledge, and techniques that are fundamental to its development. The ultimate expression is an act of love and inspiration freely articulated through the mastery of these fundamental skills.

Essentially self-taught, Karen has pursued her own education over the past 35 years; through independent study, participation in workshops and classes, teaching and authoring a teaching manual and article, "The Art of Being an Artist" published in The Artist Magazine.

Her work has been accepted and shown in the Albuquerque Artists Studio & Gallery, Albuquerque, NM and is currently on display as a collection at Griff and Willy's Restaurant in Sandpoint, ID. She has participated in area art shows such as Artwalk, Sandpoint, ID and is a founding member of the Evergreen Art Association, Newport, WA. Karen continues her pursuit of excellence, sharing the experience with her students, realizing a life-long dream of artistic accomplishment.

## INSPIRATIONAL WORDS

Recently, the following clipping made its way to CREATE. We want to share it with our readers. Karen Sweeney whom Michael Ward quotes in "Letter From the Editor" teaches drawing and acrylic/oils classes at CREATE. Michael Ward wrote "What does it take to be an artist? Perseverance, dedication and desire certainly come into play, as well as a host of other characteristics... Karen Sweeney, a Cusick, WA based artist who's been painting for twenty-five years, sent me her notes. Here are her insights on:

### THE ART OF BEING AN ARTIST

- To recognize that we never stop learning, whoever we are, whatever we do.
- To do the best our current ability allows, at whatever level, without regret or self-pity.
- To recognize that we all begin at the same beginning and that where we go and what we do from there is our own responsibility.
- To applaud the achievements of every fellow artist, regardless of whether he or she is a beginning, intermediate, advanced or professional artist.
- To understand that learning and progress come from doing—painting, drawing, studying—and that we get from it what we put into it. There's no shortcut to experience.
- To realize that each one of us shares the same gift, from the same giver, and that we are companions in the same struggle, the same dream.
- To paint, draw or create from the heart, rather than from the ego; the true artist is the creator within us.

Short, sweet and to the point! I've already clipped this page for my bulletin board, so I can be reminded every now and then of some of the important ideas I might forget. I hope Karen Sweeney's note finds a prominent place on your own bulletin board or notebook. In the long run, I think these basic make us all better artists."

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