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## **ArtWalk To Offer Free Art Work**

### **Visitors Will Be Able To Win Free Pieces Of Art**

**Saint Louis, MO -- April 17, 2006** – Visitors to the St. Charles Spring ArtWalk will be able to enter into a drawing for free pieces of art donated by a dozen of the participating artists. The juried ArtWalk, April 28-30, 2006, is free and open to the public and will showcase 50 professional regional artists who will exhibit their work in a dozen sites on Main Street in downtown St. Charles and in the Foundry Art Centre, 520 North Main Center.



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When visitors arrive at any of the marked ArtWalk venues on Main Street—venues will be designated with flower pots and banners—or at the Foundry, they will receive a “Passport To Art”, along with a map of the ArtWalk. As they view the artwork at the various venues, volunteers will stamp their passports. Once visitors have received all 12 stamps and have completed the contact information on the passport, they will drop it into the designated drop-boxes located throughout the ArtWalk for a drawing. “We want to encourage visitors to enjoy the work of all of our participating artists,” Aleece Vogt, ArtWalk committee member and co-chair of the volunteer committee and business development officer with Enterprise Bank & Trust, said. “This gives visitors a unique opportunity to win a priceless piece of art from award-winning artists.” With this passport feature, the ArtWalk committee hopes people will take the time to visit all the art venues.

The pieces of art that have been donated by the artists will be exhibited in the ArtWalk information booth so visitors can see what they might win. The donating artists include: Jo Ann Boock, Shirley Nachtrieb, Joyce Yarborough, Ruth Kolker, Lydia Brockman, Jan Groenemann, George Denninger, Ellen Klamon, Carla Dawson, Marilynne Bradley, Linda Smith, John Dean. Each donated piece is valued at a minimum of \$100.

Winners' names will be drawn on Monday, May 1, 2006 and will be notified by the ArtWalk committee. Winners do not have to be present to win.

The Spring ArtWalk, which is sponsored by Saint Charles Riverfront Arts, will feature a wide range of art mediums such as Raku pottery, sculpture, abstract paintings, jewelry, digital art, blown glass, photography, watercolor, and mixed media. Art work will be offered for sale and the artists will be on-site to interact with the public and discuss their work.

Hours for the ArtWalk are:

Friday, April 28, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 29, 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. on Main Street

Saturday, April 29, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. at the Foundry Art Centre

Sunday, April 30, 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

To set up interviews with any of the artists, organizers, sponsors, or community leaders contact:

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