

Gardner Area League of Artists GALA

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GALA FALL ART SHOW

As summer goes by like a flip-book, GALA is planning the Fall 2007 Art Show and Sale, Oct. 12, 13, & 14. Enclosed is your "Call for Artists" form and itinerary, we hope you can mark your calendar and join us for our GALA event.

This year's Fall Show is being spearheaded by Carl Billington. Carl is a friend of GALA and has volunteered to help us run a successful community-oriented event. If you would like to help or have any ideas you would like us to entertain, please call me at 978-630-2340 or Carl at 978-632-9682.

OUR WEBSITE: galagardner.org

Our Spring Show drew many comments and favorable reviews; you can see some pictures and information on the Spring show at galagardner.org as well as a wealth of other information. Our website is one of the benefits of being a member of GALA. We will be adding paid up members to the Artist Directory and removing old names soon. Please take advantage of it, people REALLY visit the site - AND linger and look!

DOWNTOWN ART

One of the other projects in the works includes using some of the downtown Gardner vacant storefront windows to promote community art. We have a Downtown Art Committee, comprised of Ed Schneeflock, interim chair; Tom Kellner, Janet Reed, and myself. The board is looking for a person to chair our downtown art committee.

ANTHOLOGY

Next year we hope to publish our first book, a poetry and print anthology. Ed Schneeflock is heading up the committee to bring the book from idea to first edition. Interested?... E-Mail ed@schneeflock.com.

ARTIST EDUCATION

In March we hosted speakers from The Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts. Check them out at http://www.vlama.org. If you want more presentations like this, let us know! Email info@galagardner.org or call me at 978-630-2340.

GARDNER DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION

As the city proceeds in revitalization plans, artists have a unique opportunity to be united in promoting art for the community. Please contact me if you want to be part of a task force to bring about an arts center for the greater Gardner community.

The arts are essential – let's make them vital!

Thanks, Chuck Heidorn, President