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CALLING ALL ARTISTS

Highland, Illinois Showcases World Class Art in Hometown Atmosphere

Highland, IL (May 2011) – The Highland Arts Council is celebrating world-class art in the hometown atmosphere with its eighth annual Art in the Park. The two-day juried exhibit and sale of works by over 70 professional artists will be held October 7-9 in Lindendale Park in Highland, Illinois, 35 miles east of St. Louis.

This October the Highland Arts Council is welcoming artists in the following categories: clay, drawing/pastels, fabric and fiber, glass, graphics/printmaking, jewelry, mixed media, oils/acrylics, photography, sculpture, watercolor, and wood. The Council presents a cash award for first place in each of the 12 categories, as well as four special awards presenting winners with juried prize money.

Artists must offer original work, displayed on screens, panels or easels. Artists are required to be present with their work during all festival hours, including the Friday night reception. All exhibition requirements, additional information and a downloadable application form are available on the Highland Arts Council website (<http://www.highlandartscouncil.org>). Submissions for application and materials are due June 15.

Art in the Park is free and open to the public. Artwork will be exhibited and offered for sale in outdoor booths from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 8 and on Sunday, October 9 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

About the Highland Arts Council

The Highland Arts Council actively promotes the arts in the community of Highland through a variety of activities and projects. The Highland Arts Council provides a showcase for local artists and an educational opportunity for many members of the community to be exposed to the arts. The Highland Arts Council enriches people's lives through the appreciation of the arts and providing educational opportunities involved with the arts. The Highland Arts Council is always looking for new and exciting ways to promote all areas of the arts as well as providing budding artists, both young and old, with new and creative ways to showcase their art.