



HIGHLAND

# Street Art Fest

on the square

Carrying on a tradition started centuries ago, the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual *Street Art Festival and Art Expo* will turn the streets of downtown Highland into a temporary art gallery. The great tradition of street painting began in Italy in the 16th century. A crowd would gather whenever a traveling artist began transforming the pavement into a colorful work of art. Although the masterpiece only lasted until the next rain, the tradition of street painting has endured.

We invite you to be a part of this timeless art experience. There are no fees! You need only provide your talent and enthusiasm in creating works of art for a strolling family audience! Space is limited. To ensure your ability to participate, volunteer street painters are strongly encouraged to submit their applications early. The application deadline is July 1, 2011.

- **Description:** The Street Art Festival is a free outdoor festival featuring live music, food, beverages (including wine & beer), art vendors and the fine art of street painting.
- **Place:** Historic Downtown Square, Highland, Illinois
- **Date:** Saturday & Sunday, August 6 & 7, 2011  
(Artist check-in begins at 9:30 a.m. Saturday)
- **Entry Fee:** No cost to the painter. The Highland Chamber of Commerce will supply all chalk, carpet pad, wet wipes, water and a Square Sponsor. Some sponsors provide a canopy or umbrella for their artist, but we encourage painters to bring their own umbrella or canopy if possible.
- **Awards:** *Best of Show* - \$100 and (3) *Awards of Merit* - \$25 will be awarded without regard for entrance category.  
Cash Prizes within each category (Professional, Amateur, College, High School) will be awarded as follows:
  - \$75 - 1<sup>st</sup> Place
  - \$50 - 2<sup>nd</sup> PlaceWe will also have a *People's Choice Award* this year - \$25  
Street Paintings will be judged Saturday evening beginning at 5:00 p.m.  
Prizes will be awarded at the Sponsor/Artist Reception Saturday evening at 8:00 p.m.