



STUTZ ARTISTS ASSOCIATION

Stutz Artists Association to host 17th annual Stutz Artists Open House April 23 and 24

INDIANAPOLIS – The Stutz Artists Association will host its 17th annual open house April 23 and 24, 2010. More than 70 artists open their studios to visitors during the two-day event. It's not only an opportunity to see the work of 70 local artists in one place at one time, it's a chance to see where and how the work is created. Artwork ranges from paintings, drawings and photography, to sculpture, jewelry and furniture.

In addition to being a great place to buy one-of-a-kind gifts – artwork ranges from \$12 to \$10,000 – the event offers a rare chance to see vintage cars in the historic Stutz car factory. Visitors also enjoy special gallery opening activities such as acoustic music and food vendors.

General admission is \$12, and proceeds support the Stutz Residency Program, a scholarship that provides free studio space and utilities for emerging local artists. It is one of the largest grants to individual artists in the state. Advanced sale tickets are available for \$10 at Old National Banking Centers and the Stutz Business Office.

The Stutz Artists Association is the largest association of working artists in Indiana. It exists to encourage its member artists and to promote their work. In addition to the Open House, the association hosts monthly exhibitions and First Friday openings in its StutzArtSpace gallery.

The myriad artists who make up the Stutz Artists Association all share the common love of art but widely diverge from there. They work in a variety of styles, from traditional to contemporary. Some have advanced degrees in art, and others advance their art in degrees. Some teach classes and hold workshops, and others mentor one-to-one. Some produce work that's accessible to a broad audience and sell a large amount of work, while others focus on work that's purely for their own enjoyment. Many of the Stutz artists have artwork in permanent collections at museums, schools and hospitals. Some are regional and even national award winners.

Housing the largest group of artists under one roof in the Midwest, the exterior of the yellow brick buildings that comprise the complex have changed little since the Stutz motor car was made here. Located on an entire city block in downtown Indianapolis, the interior of the 400,000-square-foot former car factory has been renovated into studios and office space. The Stutz is now home to artists, designers, architects, creative professionals and other small businesses.

WHAT: Stutz Artists Open House
WHEN: Friday, April 23, 5:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 24, 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.
WHERE: Stutz Business Center, 1060 N. Capitol Ave., Indianapolis
Enter Bearcat Alley from 10th or 11th streets.
(Free event parking in designated lots and free on-street parking on Capitol and Senate avenues and 11th Street.)
COST: \$10 advanced sale tickets; \$12 at the gate; \$8 Saturday re-entry (with Friday's ticket stub); On Saturday only, kids 16 and under are free.
INFO: www.stutzartists.com, 317-503-6420

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