artFEST 2009

CALL FOR ARTISTS

artFEST is an event that runs in conjunction with Chambersburg's IceFest, and raises money for the Youth Arts Initiative of the Capitol Theatre. The event is an artistic demonstration, where the artists create their art during the day, with the general public watching the art develop. The artist and the public are afforded the unique opportunity to form a bond that is bridged with art. At the end of the day, the artwork is auctioned off to raise money to help introduce the arts to local children.

This year's artFEST is on Saturday, January 31, 2009. The event is held at Historic Preservation's Warehouse, aka The Building, which is located at 252 East King Street in Chambersburg. The artists get started at 8 AM, with the doors opening to the public at 9 AM. All artwork must be completed by 4 PM, and the live auction commences at 4:30 PM.

The primary medium is paint on canvas; the artists provide their own paints and brushes, artFEST provides the canvas. Other mediums will be considered; if you work in other mediums and want to participate, please get in touch with us.

Some items to consider: the building is a working warehouse. There is a heated office area and restroom, but the area for artFEST is heated with propane patio heaters. All art must be family friendly. There will be people watching you create, and asking you questions; some people may find this to be too distracting. Last year over 300 people watched art being made; while there may be distractions, it is a great place to get your name out and have your art seen. Any art created during this event is considered a donation to artFEST.

Please contact Mike Albert at 717-377-8502 or 717-264-4909 or email <u>malbert2004@comcast.net</u> with any questions or to be considered for participation. Thank you!

In case you are not able to create your art in public, donations of artwork are also sought for a silent auction to benefit Youth Arts Initiative that runs during the day of artFEST. Any and all mediums are welcome and greatly appreciated!