



“Summertime Blues”

to open at Stutz Art Space Gallery Aug. 1

One-piece theme show features fresh voices, familiar artists

INDIANAPOLIS (July 24, 2008) – A cookout combined with artwork that celebrates summer, the color blue and blues music will be on tap as the Stutz Art Space Gallery opens “Summertime Blues” on Aug. 1.

The group show will feature the work of 37 artists, including nine who are new to the gallery. In keeping with the summer spirit, guests are invited to join the artists for a cookout in the alley for the opening reception, which is from 5 to 9 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 1, in conjunction with the Indianapolis Downtown Artists & Dealers Association’s (IDADA) monthly First Friday gallery tour. There is no admission charge, and Bearcats restaurant will be grilling bratwurst and burgers for sale at a nominal charge.

Artwork ranges from depictions of blues musicians to a baseball card to an elegant pique assiette (broken plate mosaic) chest of drawers. There’s a little of everything, from abstract and figural works to water, sky, beach and garden scenes.

First-time Stutz Art Space show participants are painters Amy Kirchner, Cathy Mahaffey, Phil O’Malley, Joanne Rutledge, Judith Layson-Sturges and Lois Main Templeton. Also appearing in the gallery for the first time are sculptor Jim O’Neil, ceramicist Melissa Parrott and mosaic artist Kathleen O’Neil Stevens.

“Summertime Blues” participants are: Susan Brewer, Janet Chilton, JanettMarie, Forrest Formsma, Victoria Gillieron, Gayla Hodson, Phillip Hughes, Barbara Applegate-Jones, Leigh Dunnington Jones, Amy Kirchner, Jane Knight, Karen Land, Colleen Lauter, Diane Lyon, Cathy Mahaffey, Susan Mauck, Carol L. Myers, Kate Oberreich, Jim O’Neil, Phil O’Malley, Melissa Parrott, Derek Powell, Jerry Points, John Reynolds, Ginny Taylor Rosner, Joanne Rutledge, John Ross, Taylor Smith, Kevin Smola, Rita Spalding, Kathleen O’Neil Stevens, Judith Layson Sturges, Lois Main Templeton, Jacobina Trump, Martha Vaught, Dina Verplank and Julia Zollman Wickes.

“Summertime Blues” runs Aug. 1 through Aug. 22. The gallery is open from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. weekdays, or by appointment.

Stutz Art Space, a nonprofit visual art center, opened in January on the first floor of the Stutz Business Center. Its mission is to connect artists, audiences and resources. In that spirit, classes and workshops are designed to pair professional artists with students at a wide range of skill levels. Spots are available for many classes in photography, sculpture, drawing, book arts and various painting media. A full schedule is available on www.stutzartists.com.

WHAT: "Summertime Blues" featuring the work of 37 Stutz artists
WHERE: Stutz Art Space Gallery, 212 W. 10th St., B110 (Enter from 10th Street via alley)
WHEN: Opening reception on Friday, Aug. 1, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Exhibition open Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. or by appointment through Aug. 22
INFO: www.stutzartists.com or (317) 503-6420

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