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**Summit Artspace news in this release:**

- **6<sup>th</sup> Annual AVA Exhibition November 22-January 3**
- **Free Meet-the-Artists Reception November 21 6-8 pm**
- **5 Free Saturday Art Demos during Exhibit**

## **Local Arts Groups' Talents at Summit Artspace**

(Akron) – The Alliance for the Visual Arts, a group representing over 500 local artists from the Akron Society of Artists, Artists of Rubber City, Cuyahoga Valley Art Center and Women's Art League, will present *Kaleidoscope 2008* at Summit Artspace from November 22 through January 3.

Members of the four groups entered 177 artworks in all types of media for this annual juried show. Distinguished painter Craig Lucas selected the pieces displayed in the exhibition. Lucas has exhibited his work regionally, nationally and internationally. He has received numerous awards including an Ohio Arts Council Fellowship and Outstanding Visual Artist Award from the Akron Area Arts Alliance. An emeritus professor, Lucas taught painting at Kent State University for over 35 years. Norton artist Nancy Richards Davis served as show coordinator.

The public is invited to a meet-the-artists reception Friday, November 21 from 6 to 8 pm. The annual *Kaleidoscope Award*, selected by the votes of gallery visitors, will be presented during the First Night® Akron celebration on December 31. The winner will receive a kaleidoscope created by glass artist Bob Pozarski.

Also during the exhibition, there will be a series of free Saturday demonstrations:

November 22 1-3 pm - Shirley Ende-Saxe, Collage Demonstration  
November 29 1-4 pm - Judith B. Carducci, Pastel Demonstration  
December 6 1-4 pm - Diane Keske Talmadge, Still Life in Demonstration in oil  
December 13 1-3 pm - Barbara Lord, Still Life Demonstration in Acrylic  
December 20 1-3 pm - Jack Liberman, Landscape Demonstration in Oil

Summit Artspace, a project of the Akron Area Arts Alliance in cooperation with Summit County government, is located in a historic downtown Akron building at 140 E. Market Street. That is one block east of the Akron Art Museum. Gallery hours are Thursday-Saturday noon to 5 pm. Admission and parking are free.

The Akron Area Arts Alliance is a non-profit advocacy group. Its membership includes 44 arts and culture organizations plus 75 individuals. Summit Artspace Gallery is supported by the Akron Community Foundation, Welty Family Foundation and Ohio Arts Council.

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