



## Newsletter

### Winter 2007

“The illness of modern man comes mostly from his forgetting the loving and inspiring and creative use of the hands.”

::: [Daisetz Teitaro Suzuki](#) :::

Cheers!

2008 will mark the 40th anniversary of the founding of the WBCA. I imagine the thousands of hands over the years that have helped build, nurture and ensure our ability to be here today, stronger than ever. Creating community is not a stagnant process, but rather, forever changing; welcoming new members that refresh our views, while appreciating the comfort and wisdom of our older relationships. Over the past few years, we have also built many new partnerships which have allowed us to expand our reach far beyond the limits of our one-room art center. On the last two pages of this catalog, we would like to recognize the many individuals and businesses that helped, through their generous financial support, to make the following activities possible in 2006:

In 2006 the White Bear Center for the Arts:

- Offered over 340 art classes in the community
- Launched a new, resource oriented web-site
- Hosted “Art Talks”—a series of free lectures
- Sponsored the 33rd Annual Northern Lights Juried Art Exhibition at Century College
- Organized the Earth Day Iron Pour which included 3-D foundry opportunities
- Coordinated the “Iron for the Children” community art project
- Hosted “WriteNow” High School Writer’s Contest—which received over 150 entries
- Held the Manitou Days Sandcastles & Creatures Building Contest
- Produced Open Canvas—a gala event with 42 area artists and art auction
- Installed public art gallery space at 2 new area locations
- Sponsored the ArtWalk Iron Pour—downtown White Bear Lake
- Held a year-end Member’s Holiday Party

The White Bear Center for the Arts is sustained by people who have NOT forgotten the loving, inspiring and creative use of their hands. In 2007, thanks to the continued generosity of the community, the White Bear Center has brought even more opportunities to “Be a Part of the Arts”. As we celebrate the close of our 39th year, be on the lookout for our Year-End Giving request. All gifts are fully tax-deductible. Please join us for our Member’s Holiday Party and the Member’s Exhibition and Art Sale, (see details to the left.) This will be a great time for you to purchase truly unique items while supporting area artists. Instead of fighting the crowds and shopping at the mall this year, give yourself a gift and enjoy making gifts that speak to the creative soul in one of our upcoming classes. When you do shop, please patronize our locally

owned businesses that continue to preserve the independent, creative spirit of our community, and so generously support the work of WBCA. It's a win-win way to enjoy the holidays.

So with all that, I hope you enjoy reading our winter catalog like a good book, and take advantage of all that the WBCA has to offer. I guarantee you will find more opportunities than ever before to "Be a Part of the Arts!"

Peace on Earth,

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