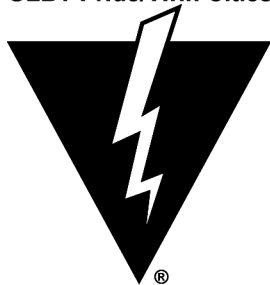


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GLBT Pride Art Show Resounding Success

MINNEAPOLIS, MN – The 2nd Annual GLBT Pride Art Show Opening Reception was held last night, Friday, June 20, and was a resounding success, with more artists and guests than in 2002. The Art Show was held at Calhoun Square Gallery and with the assistance of Artistreet.

Over a hundred GLBT people, their friends and families attended the reception. Guest speaker Tobias Schneebaum, world renowned GLBT artist and anthropologist, gave a presentation on his works with GLBT tribes and peoples from around the world and the various arts that those cultures developed, helping to demonstrate that GLBT arts and artists are as old as humanity itself.

The show includes over 59 pieces from 22 artists and will remain on display until July 13. Entertainment and music was provided by a number of local groups and performers including the Minnesota Philharmonic and Lisa Kane.

GLBT Pride/Twin Cities wishes to express its gratitude to all who helped bring this event to reality including 101 Blu, Alexis Bailly Vineyard, Artistreet, Bacardi, Calhoun Square Gallery, Mary Martha Catering, Minneapolis MOSIAC Program, Tobias Schneebaum, Jean-Nicholaus tretter, Women Create and the entire GLBT community.

Celebrating its 31st year in 2003, GLBT Pride/Twin Cities, the organizer of the Twin Cities Gay-Lesbian-Bisexual-Transgender (GLBT) Pride Celebration, began in 1972 with a small group of activists meeting for a picnic in Minneapolis' Loring Park and a short march down Nicollet Mall. Over the intervening years, the Twin Cities Pride Celebration has grown to be the largest GLBT Pride in the region and 4th largest in the United States, with an estimated 2002 attendance in excess of 280,000 people. GLBT Pride/Twin Cities is an all-volunteer nonprofit organization.

It is the mission of GLBT Pride/Twin Cities to commemorate and celebrate our diverse heritage, to inspire the achievement of equality and challenge discrimination.

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