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### 2005 ANN ARBOR STREET ART FAIR SOUVENIRS FEATURE ARTIST RENEE HARRIS

ANN ARBOR, MI, May 2005 - The 46th annual Ann Arbor Street Art Fair, the Original, will feature work by artist Renee Harris on the official poster and numerous souvenirs available at this summer's celebration of the arts in downtown Ann Arbor, Michigan. Harris of Cincinnati, Ohio, graduated from the Art Academy of Cincinnati with a dual major in painting and printmaking, and a minor in illustration. Harris has received major corporate commissions for her fiber works, and has been featured in various publications, such as *American Style Magazine* and *Fiberarts Design Book*. Harris exhibits her work nationally, including The Smithsonian Craft Show and The Philadelphia Museum of Art Craft show, where she won an award for excellence.

Inspired by the infinite possibilities of drawing with fiber, Harris works with hand embroidery, hand felted wool, and stitching through images drawn on rag paper. Her mostly narrative work incorporates birds, fish, and some interior imagery within colorful landscapes. Harris uses hand embroidery to embellish the rich surfaces of the felts, which adds a sense of drawing to each piece. The work selected for the 2005 Featured Artist of the Ann Arbor Street Art Fair, exemplifies her creative technique and provides an opportunity for all to take home a memory of the 2005 event.

The Street Art Fair's souvenir booth, located at the corner of North University and Thayer Streets, will feature Harris' work on all posters, T-shirts, hats, and tote bags for purchase. Be sure to take a stroll down Washington Street and visit Harris' booth, A110, to meet the artist and enjoy her original works of art.



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The Ann Arbor Street Art Fair, the Original, is located on North University, Thayer and Washington Streets, adjacent to the University of Michigan's central campus. Fair dates are July 20-23; hours are Wednesday through Friday, from 10 AM to 9 PM, and Saturday from 10 AM to 6 PM. For more information about the Street Art Fair, please visit [www.artfair.org](http://www.artfair.org), or call, 734-994-5260. For visitor information, please visit the Ann Arbor Area Convention and Visitors Bureau website, [www.annarbor.org](http://www.annarbor.org), or call 1-800-888-9487.

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