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Arts Fair on the Square: Coming Soon!

June 18th | 10am – 6pm | Courthouse Lawn, Downtown Bloomington featuring:

69 local and national artists

Performances by Different Drummer Belly Dancers | the Bloomington Community Band | Windfall Dancers | the Silk Road Ensemble

"Cookies and Canvas" Children's Arts & Crafts Center Free parking and shuttle transportation ALL DAY LONG

from the Bloomington & Monroe County Convention Center (302 S. College Ave.)

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Bloomington, Indiana: The 31st Annual Arts Fair on the Square is right around the corner. Artists have been accepted, entertainment has been scheduled, and we are ready for a day of festivities! Join us on **June 18, 2011 from 10am to 6pm** on the picturesque grounds surrounding the Monroe County Courthouse in downtown Bloomington, Indiana for art and fun!

The 31st Annual Arts Fair on the Square will feature the work of 69 local and national artists; a variety of local entertainment including Different Drummer Belly Dancers, the Bloomington Community Band, Windfall Dancers, and the Silk Road Ensemble; artist demonstrations throughout the day; and the best idea we've ever found for our Children's Arts and Crafts Center – Cookies and Canvas!

Cookies and canvas at the same time?! It's true. As the sponsor of this year's children's art center, the organization Wine and Canvas will be featuring Cookies and Canvas for children attending Arts Fair on the Square. Cookies and Canvas will provide canvas, paint, and workshops to keep kids of all ages entertained throughout the day. Workshops with an experienced artist will be held every hour throughout the day with an art table for those inclined to skip the workshop and just get down to business. Stop by the children's area and let your child bring out his or her inner artist. For more information about Cookies and Canvas or Wine and Canvas, go to www.wineandcanvas.com.

The mission of Arts Fair on the Square is to showcase fine art and craft of the highest quality, connect artists with the art-buying community, and promote commitment to the arts through a variety of interactive arts experiences - but we don't want to stop there! Arts Fair on the Square is more than a venue for artists to showcase and sell fine art and crafts --there will also be community booths featuring local businesses and events, a diverse line-up of entertainment including very talented local dancers and musicians, artist demonstrations, and an entire area dedicated to kids and art.



Arts Fair on the Square is proud to endorse all forms of art including the art of cuisine. Arts Fair on the Square runs in conjunction with the Taste of Bloomington, which offers sampling opportunities from over 35 local and regional restaurants, special music, and children's activities. Together Arts Fair on the Square and the Taste of Bloomington draw thousands of visitors to downtown Bloomington to experience the finest that visual arts and cuisine have to offer. So why not **Make A Day Of It!**? Park at the Bloomington Convention Center where a **FREE SHUTTLE** will await you to take you downtown (and back). We suggest you start the morning off at the Bloomington Farmers Market, head to the courthouse square for Arts Fair on the Square, and then catch Taste of Bloomington. All that fun in one day; can you stand it?!

Whether you are new to town, just visiting, or a regular attendee at Arts Fair on the Square, you won't want to miss this day featuring art from 69 of the best local and national artists, artist demonstrations, Cookies and Canvas, the Bloomington Farmers Market, a Taste of Bloomington, and entertainment from local dancers and musicians! Save the date, mark your calendar, post-it your fridge and join us on June 18th for the best arts day in Bloomington! www.artsfair.org

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