

Fourth Friday to feature art from orphanages

Sisters residents and visitors will see a new twist in the Fourth Friday Art Walk this week. A clothesline display of art made by children who live in orphanages will be exhibited on the green space between Clearwater Gallery and the Gary Cooley Studios on West Cascade Avenue. Fifty pieces will be featured in "Art From The Heart."

The unusual art display is hosted by Sisters non-profit World's Children which supports 30 orphanages around the world. Support for the orphanages comes primarily

from people who sponsor a child through World's Children. At least once a year each sponsor receives artwork created by their child. The charity was impressed by the range of subjects chosen by the children for their art and made scanned copies of the best drawings. On display at Friday's Art Walk will be rural Indian village scenes, environmental concerns relating to deforestation, depictions of classical Indian dancers, and love between a mother and child.

"Just because the fate of the young artists is to grow up in an orphanage, don't expect to see grim art," said Executive Director David Purviance. "People assume a children's home is a sad place with an institutional feeling about it. But that is not the case with the homes we support, and people will see that reflected in Art from the Heart."

The artwork is for display only; none of the art is for sale. The exhibit is free and music and refreshments will be provided.



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