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ART IN THE PLAZA AT HARBOR VILLAGE ARTIST COMPLEX FEATURES OPEN-AIR ART DEMONSTRATIONS, SEPTEMBER 6

LUCERNE, CA — An exciting arts event – Art in the Plaza – will be held on Saturday, September 6, 2008, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the new Harbor Village Artists Complex located at 6197 East Highway 20, adjacent to Lucerne Harbor Park, in Lucerne.

Experience “art in progress” demonstrations, presented by the local artists of Harbor Village Artists Complex. Throughout the day, artists will create works of art out in the open air of the plaza. Demonstrations will include various painting techniques such as plein air and gourd techniques such as woodburning, beading, and coiling. Artists will be available to answer questions while they work, and each of the four galleries in the complex will be open for browsing and buying.

The first of its kind in Lake County, the new Harbor Village Artists Complex is a cluster of four charming Alpine-style artist cottages tucked into a park-like setting on the shore of Clear Lake. Each cottage houses a retail art gallery and working art studio featuring works for sale by local and regional artists. Artist works for sale include original oil, acrylic, and watercolor paintings; sculpture, Pomo baskets, jewelry, and art; original gourd art; sculpture, jewelry, gifts, and hand-painted tiles. Gallery shops include The Gourd Gallery, Lakeside Art, Konocti Art Gallery/Studio, and Pomo Fine Arts Gallery.

The Gourd Gallery specializes in decorative gourds of all sizes and shapes. Gourd artists Marilyn Crayton, Linda Kelly, and Sandie Coelho-Davis individually design and paint each gourd using various techniques including woodburning, carving, dyeing, and even sewing. Guest artists will be featured and demonstrations and classes offered. For more information about the Gourd Gallery, contact Marilyn Crayton, (707) 274-2346.

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The Konocti Art Gallery/Studio features works by four experienced painters: Ray Farrow, local landscapes in alkyds, oils, and acrylics; Meredith Gambrel, scenic watercolors; Joan Facca, oils and pastels; and Richard Seisser, sketching, pen-and-ink, watercolor, acrylic, and pastels. Fine art demonstrations and lessons offered. For more information about Konocti Art, contact Ray Farrow, (707) 278-0323.

Lakeside Art features fine arts and crafts by nine artists and artisans: Barbara LeVasseur, oils, gouache, and hand-painted ceramic tiles; Joe Schopplein, oils and photography; Lynn Hughes, custom beaded jewelry; Diana Liebe, watercolors and hand-painted clothing; Patty Oates, oils; Carolyn Hawley, oils; Lorna Sue Sides, poetry sessions for the public and children's poetry group; Jackie Smythe, oils, watercolors, ink drawings, and photography; Carolyn Morris, oils; and Ruth Morgan, watercolors. Art openings, music, limited studio workshops, and public poetry sessions offered. For more information about Lakeside Art, contact Barbara LeVasseur, (707) 274-1393.

Pomo Fine Arts Gallery features traditional, authentic, and contemporary art works by Pomo artists. This native-owned gallery, managed by Luwana Quitiquit, features a range of works by tribal artists including beautiful Pomo baskets, paintings, gourds, dolls, and jewelry. Demonstrations, art exhibits, and events are offered. For more information about Pomo Fine Arts Gallery, contact Luwana Quitiquit, (707) 349-9588.

For information about the Art in the Plaza event, call (707) 274-2346.

Located in beautiful Northern California, Lake County is just two hours by car from the San Francisco Bay Area, the Sacramento Valley, and the Pacific Coast. Lake County is home to Clear Lake, the largest natural freshwater lake in California and possibly the oldest lake on the continent. Visitors to Lake County experience the state's cleanest air basin, spectacular scenic beauty, fine wines, headliner concerts, and unsurpassed recreational opportunities — from hiking, biking, golf, and off-road adventures to boating, fishing, kayaking, birding, and even rockhounding. The local area code is 707. For visitor information, contact the Lake County Visitor Information Center at (800) 525-3743 or www.lakecounty.com.