



## Press release on behalf of Sleaford Art Event 2008

The organisers of the 2008 Sleaford Art Event taking place over the weekend of 5th April and 6th of April, are busy preparing for an exciting weekend.

The annual event comprises an art exhibition of over 130 pieces by artists from across Lincolnshire and further afield. There is free admission and free parking for visitors to the main exhibition and demonstrations taking place at North Kesteven District Council Civic Suite, just off Eastgate in Sleaford, from 10.00 am to 4.00 pm each day.

Demonstrators booked for the weekend include Mike Webster, Paul Howard and Peter Hayward. Each will be taking a turn on the demonstration stand over the weekend. The demonstrators will be available throughout the weekend to talk about their work

The Art Event Challenge has already attracted a number of entries - artists have the chance to interpret a costumed figure from Sleaford Little Theatre. The scene will be set at the Art Event and the results of the competing artists' efforts will be on display and voted for by visitors to the show, with a prize and trophy presented to the winning artist at the end of the weekend.

A prize and trophy will also be presented for the overall Best in Show, as voted for by the visitors.

This year, for the first time, we also have a Chairman's Award

Original paintings on postcards, sponsored by Phoenix Art and Craft, have been donated by a number of artists and will be available to buy at the bargain price of £4. These miniature pieces of art are very collectable and will be on sale anonymously at the event with part of the proceeds going to a local charity. Part of the proceeds from the 2007 event will be going to GIFTS who have chosen to spend this on some paintings from the event for their Sleaford Hospice.

Refreshments and a full catalogue of the exhibition will be available throughout both days in the main exhibition area at North Kesteven District Council Offices.

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