

GH artist to be featured at art fair

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NOVI — Brad Patterson of Grand Haven has been awarded a spot at the first Great Lakes Art Fair to be held April 17-19 at Rock Financial Showplace. He will be one of 100 exhibitors featured during the weekend event.



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A 1999 graduate of Grand Haven High School and a 2004 graduate of Grand Valley State University, Patterson owns his own business, Creative Clay.

Patterson creates hand-built pottery, incorporating nature with simple contemporary design.

"The Rock Financial Showplace hosts many great events and publicizes them well. The Great Lakes Art Fair should be a spectacular show for both customers and the artists," Patterson said.

The aim of the Great Lakes Art Fair is to create a "Grand Marketplace" within the Rock Financial Showplace that Friday through Sunday.

The Grand Marketplace is designed to have the look of an eclectic outdoor street fair.

Patrons will be treated to beautifully landscaped avenues and gardens, combined with works from more than 100 juried local, regional and national artists, as well as crafts, epicurean delights, entertainment and educational exhibitors. Patrons can see paintings, glass art, photography, jewelry, fiber art, sculpture and other mediums.

The first 500 attendees each day will be entered to win a grand prize package provided by event sponsors.

The opening night reception for the Great Lakes Art Fair, with proceeds to benefit Detroit Public Television, will be held at 7 p.m. on Friday, April 17 at Rock Financial Showplace. Participating artists will display a favorite piece of work, competing for a selection of prizes. The resulting displays will also to be offered for sale. Live entertainment and hors d' oeuvres are included in the \$50 ticket, available by calling (248) 348-5600 ext. 236, or at the administrative offices inside the Rock Financial Showplace.

Tickets for the fair, available at the door, are \$7 for adults. Children 12 and under are admitted free of charge. Parking is also free. The Rock Financial Showplace is at 46100 Grand River Ave. in Novi.

On the Net:

www.greatlakesartfair.com

www.bradleygallery.com

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