

MOUNTAIN ART FESTIVALS

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Mountain Art Festivals Announces Four Summit County Art Festivals for 2007

Breckenridge, CO. – **Mountain Art Festivals**, produced by Mark Beling (formerly Breckenridge Art Fairs) has announced an exciting 2007 summer season of Art Festivals in Breckenridge and Dillon, both located in Summit County, Colorado. Breckenridge will host three Mountain Art Festivals, the *24th Annual Breckenridge July Art Festival July 6,7,8*; the *6th Annual Breckenridge Main Street Art Festival July 27,28,29*; and the *32nd Annual Gathering at the Great Divide September 1,2,3*. The Town of Dillon will host the first *Dillon Art Festival July 20,21, 22* in downtown Dillon.

New this year is the *Dillon Art Festival July 20-22*, presented in cooperation with the Town of Dillon and Mountain Art Festivals, featuring over 100 juried artists and will be located in downtown Dillon, adjacent to Lake Dillon. Dillon, Colorado is a lakeside, mountain resort community located in the center of the world's greatest ski resorts and offers visitors wonderful cultural, recreational and historical activities, in a one-of-a-kind scenic location. In addition to the Dillon Marina, Dillon boasts a lakeside amphitheatre and unparalleled views of Lake Dillon with a Rocky Mountain backdrop. Dillon is located just 75 miles west of Denver.

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In continuing with tradition, Mountain Art Festivals will present the *24th Annual Breckenridge July Art Festival July 6-8* in Breckenridge, held at Main Street Station in 2007. This fine art festival will feature over 60 juried artists from around the country and will be a great way to top off the July 4th holiday week. The *Breckenridge Main Street Art Festival July 27-29* and the *32nd Annual Gathering at the Great Divide September 1-3*, will feature over 100 juried artists and will both be located at North Main Street and Wellington in Breckenridge. Breckenridge, located 90 miles west of Denver is a 147-year-old quaint Victorian town in the heart of the Colorado Rockies. As one of the nations premier year-round resorts, Breckenridge has an incredible selection of year round recreational and cultural activities.

For the past 15 years, Mountain Art Festivals, Mark Beling and Judith Pollock, Directors, have produced outdoor Colorado art shows which are consistently ranked among the top art shows in the country. Mountain Art Festivals has shared their success by developing a unique community philanthropic program for Summit County area non profits through Art Festival participating artists and Art Festival proceeds. Over the past six years Mountain Art Festivals have donated over \$130,000 in cash and over \$150,000 in in-kind donations to area non profits.

The 2007 Mountain Art Festivals will provide a venue for talented artisans to sell their handmade products to thousands of art enthusiasts every summer, while offering patrons the unique opportunity to meet exhibiting artists, learn the sources of their inspirations, ask questions about techniques, commission a specific piece, and of course purchase existing fine works of art.

For more information on Mountain Art Festivals please call 970-547-9326.

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