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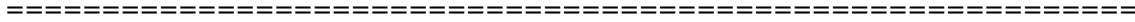
REACHING TO EMBRACE ARTS

Presents **“ART BANK FOR KIDS”**

**Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2004 @ the Farmers & Merchants Bank**

*In association with the City of Los Angeles' Inaugural Downtown Gallery Row Art Walk*

*Event Made Possible by Gilmore Associates, Los Angeles Cultural Affairs Department, Lincoln Heights Arts Collective & All of Our Spectacular & Dedicated Artists & Volunteers*



**Reaching to Embrace Arts** (RTEA) is very proud and excited to announce its participation in the City of Los Angeles' Inaugural Downtown Gallery Row Art Walk and building LA's newest art community. The event will take place on Saturday, May 15 at the historical Farmers & Merchants Bank, located at 401 South Main Street. **Art Bank for Kids** is yet another way RTEA looks to foster creative arts education in Los Angeles, one child at a time. RTEA will host the following programs for the benefit of Los Angeles youth art education:

**Children's Art Workshops** in the daytime taught by art professionals including, **Freddi C.**, **Blaine Hogg** "Fontana" and **Launa Bacon**.

**Art Exhibition** of works created by over 20 artists, including **Pat Merrill**, **Janice Tieken** and **Mark Vallen** in an adjacent gallery space.

**Live Painting Demonstrations** will be conducted by **David Choe**, **Mear One**, **Marka 27** and other renowned artists for **Live Auction to Support Los Angeles Youth Art Education** during the evening.

**Music Entertainment** will be provided by the **Beverly Hills Wind Trio**, **Edit**, **DJ Noahptimusprime** and others.

*In addition*, RTEA will introduce its upcoming September **Youth Arts Festival** on the campus of the University of Southern California (USC) in Los Angeles, CA to the community throughout the event. The Youth Arts Festival will provide over 6,000 workshop seats for children and activities and information for families and the general community. Stay tuned for more info on the Youth Arts Festival.

**Suggested Donation of \$10:** proceeds will go to fund September 2004 *RTEA Youth Arts Festival*

**Saturday, May 15, 2004**

**11am - 11pm:** Gallery Exhibition Doors Open

**11am - 5pm:** Children's Art Workshops

**2pm - 7pm:** Live Painting Demonstrations

**6pm - 11pm:** Music Entertainment & Video Projections & Refreshments

**8pm - 10pm:** Auction of Live Painting Pieces

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