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Red Wing Framing Gallery announces 2004 Holiday Stroll events

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(Red Wing, MN)...Red Wing Framing Gallery will host a special four artist event during the annual downtown Red Wing Holiday Stroll on November 26, 2004. Jean Accola, Angela Foley and Len Guggenberger will showcase their unique talents during the 2004 Holiday Stroll. Yata will provide live musical entertainment. Artists will be at the gallery to meet with holiday shoppers on Nov. 26th from 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

The Red Wing Holiday Stroll has become an annual downtown tradition to kick-off the holiday season. A holiday lighting ceremony, roasting chestnuts, roaming carolers and special merchant events are only a part of the evening festivities. "This year Red Wing Framing Gallery decided to focus on regional artistic talent" explained Valerie Becker, owner of Red Wing Framing Gallery. "Jean, Angela, Len and Yata are all special talents with their own artistic visions and are very passionate about their art. We are very excited to host them as part of the Holiday Stroll". The artists will be available to discuss and demonstrate their vision and holiday refreshments will be served.

Jean Accola is a career watercolorist, focusing on the natural world. She leverages her biology background and her artistic vision to interpret the world of nature. She has done commissioned paintings for the Minnesota State Horticultural Society, the Minnesota State Park System, the Wisconsin Academy Review and the Northern Gardener as well as many corporate and private collectors.

Potter Angela M. Foley maintains a studio at the historic Anderson Center in Red Wing, Minnesota. Her graceful wheel-thrown vessels have the lush, figurative lines of classical forms. Foley uses the process of raku firing in her work. Raku was developed in Japan during the 16th century and means enjoyment, pleasure and happiness. Her pieces are on display throughout the United States and are extremely tactile in nature.

Len Guggenberger was born and raised in a small town in Minnesota and uses this background to express the rural experience. Guggenberger is a committed full-time artist after retiring from a career as a commercial artist. He uses casein paints, which is a versatile medium made from the curd of milk. It offers brilliance, clarity of hue and permanence.

Yata is a singer, guitarist and prolific songwriter from the Midwest. A performance and recording artist of folk music which incorporates the influences of jazz, rockabilly, gospel, country, blues and ballads into his songs. He lives in rural Wisconsin and is a retired social worker. Yata was a member of the Minneapolis based band, "Artesian Dreams", which received the Minnesota Music Award for Best Folk Band in 1980.

Red Wing Framing Gallery (www.redwingframing.com), located in the historic Boxrud Building on Main Street in Downtown Red Wing, specializes in original fine art, custom framing and fine art digital printing.

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