

PRESS RELEASE: Side Street Artists, Local Artist Walks
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WHO: Side Street Artists
WHAT: Monthly Artist Walks
WHERE: Bonita Shores Club, 315 West Avenue, Bonita Springs
WHEN: 10 am – 5 pm, First Saturday of each month, Oct-May
COST: Free
CONTACT: www.sidestreetartists.org

NEXT EVENT – April 4, 2009

Side Street Artists is a non-profit organization linking local artists and our community at artist walks on the first Saturday of each month. ***Rain or shine***, each artist walk is held indoors at the Bonita Shores Club at 315 West Avenue, just off Bonita Beach Road in Bonita Springs, from 10 am to 5 pm, and is free to the public.

Our next event is **Saturday, April 4, 2009**. This show will feature many types of unique artworks such as glass art, pottery, paintings, fiber art, photography and jewelry, all handcrafted by local Southwest Florida Artists, such as: Marion Crawford, handmade Ukrainian egg artist; Ira Gold, who hand-turns fine woods into pens and desk sets; Melinda Russek, who creates art from found and recycled objects; Joan Shapiro, award-winning Asian and contemporary pottery artist; Michele Anvary, who creates handmade, frameable art cards; Matthew Milligan, a remarkable local outdoor photographer; and Ginny Mintz, who handcrafts wire-wrapped and silver jewelry.

This show will host a raffle to benefit the [Leggett Shoe Foundation](#). The raffle will feature art work from local artists, including fused glass, jewelry, photography, pottery and mixed media art.

The Leggett Shoe Foundation is the Bonita Springs Chapter of **Shoes That Fit**, a national charity that provides underprivileged local school children with shoes, clothing and school supplies. This is a wonderful local foundation, founded by a local Bonita Springs artist, Pat Leggett, and her husband, Tom. All proceeds from all fundraising goes completely to the kids; there are no administrative fees. Their web site is: www.leggettshoefoundation.com . Currently, the Leggett Shoe Foundation is supporting six local Bonita Springs and Estero schools, having donated over 25,000 articles of clothing and 1,750 pairs of shoes to date to needy school children at these schools.

For a full list of artists and examples of artist work, as well as raffle details, event locations, dates and times, please visit www.sidestreetartists.org.