

**THE ART DIRECTORS GUILD'S GALLERY 800 ANNOUNCES  
FOURTH ANNUAL 'ART UNITES' EXHIBITION, OPENING JANUARY 23**

**LOS ANGELES, January 13** – Gallery 800, representing IATSE Local 800, announces its fourth annual art exhibition, *Art Unites*, which will open on January 23. Located in the heart of the famed NoHo Arts District, Gallery 800 showcases guild members' personal art in a series of shows throughout the year. The 2009 series, consisting of three shows - *Woman! Images and Interpretations*, *Spring into Summer*, and *Brothers & Sisters personal artwork of the cast and crew*- opened to industry acclaim last year.

*Art Unites* opens with a hosted reception on Saturday, January 23, from 5:00 to 10:00 pm, featuring music, refreshments and over 100 original pieces. 62 artists will participate in this exhibition, including Andrea Dopaso, Set Designer on *Star Trek* (2009) and Illustrator on *Angels & Demons* (2009); Mike Denering, Scenic Artist working on a 600 foot backdrop for Universal's New York City backlot which was damaged in the fires of 2009; Patrick Tatopoulos, Special Effects Makeup Designer on *Gallowalker* (2010) and Creature Designer on *The Ruins* (2008); and Ryan Woodward, Animatic Artist on *Iron Man 2* (2010) and Storyboard Artist on *Where the Wild Things Are* (2009). Work from various mediums, including watercolors, oils, acrylics, textiles, mixed media and photography, will be featured. *Art Unites* will run until March 20.

During the day, these artists are leading design professionals, who through a combination of observation, passion and imagination, bring the writer's words and the director's vision to life on the screens of television and film. When not working everyday as integral creative members of the entertainment community, these ADG members contribute to the fine art scene with their personal artwork.

In addition to the exhibited artwork, the Gallery 800 gift shop will feature items for sale including photographic prints, greeting cards and t-shirts.

Representing Gallery 800 are Denis Olsen, Curator and ADG Board Member, and Special Projects Coordinator, Nicki La Rosa. Gallery 800's mission is to promote the works of Local 800's talented entertainment industry professionals, in an intimate venue, on a personal level. Gallery 800 hours are Thursday through Saturday 2:00 pm – 8:00 pm and Sunday 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm. For more information, please visit the Gallery 800 website at [www.gallery800.com](http://www.gallery800.com).

**About the Art Directors Guild:**

The Art Directors Guild (IATSE Local 800) represents nearly 2,000 members who work throughout the United States, Canada and the rest of the world in film, television and theater as Production Designers, Art Directors, and Assistant Art Directors; Scenic, Title and Graphic Artists; Illustrators and Matte Artists; and Set Designers and Model Makers. Established in 1937, ADG's ongoing activities include a Film Society; an annual Awards Banquet, a creative/technology community (5D: The Future of Immersive Design) and Membership Directory; a bimonthly craft magazine (Perspective); and extensive technology-training

programs, creative workshops and craft and art exhibitions. The Guild's Online Directory/Website Resource is at [www.adg.org](http://www.adg.org).

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