



Only through art can we get outside of ourselves and know another's view of the universe

Valley Art Association's Sidewalk Chalk Art Festival has been a Forest Grove institution since 1990 and has grown into a significant and popular downtown community arts event.

The festival brings an explosion of color, vitality and a sense of community to the downtown area. In 2004, for the first time in a long while, the Oregon mists tried to cool the artistic fever, but failed — and the festival went on as planned. Bright, colorful chalk images were still seen in the downtown area

This year there will be music, activities and vendors! The cost is \$7 for Valley Art members; \$10 for non-members. This includes your own large space and a tray of colorful chalk. Proceeds from the festival help fund scholarships for FGHS art students and VAA children's art classes.

There will be featured chalk artists from Pacific University and Forest Grove High School. Joe Mishkin, "the balloon guy," will amaze and entertain. There will be a clay table for children and a student pottery sale.

From 4 p.m. until 8 p.m., visitors and community members can enjoy a *passagiata** — the Italian tradition of an evening stroll — to admire the artwork produced during the day.

In remembrance of September 11th and the recent London bombings, Valley Art will once again have its "Living Leaves" project as a way to celebrate life.

Living Leaves will be available at Valley Art and various businesses in Forest Grove. They should be decorated with a hope, wish, prayer or poem. Decorate your leaf freely and hang it from a tree of your choice or at the special tree on display at Valley Art. When the wind blows the leaves, our thoughts will be released throughout the community and, we hope, the world.

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15th Annual SIDEWALK CHALK ART FESTIVAL



Valley Art Association
Forest Grove, Oregon
September 17, 2005

9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

Downtown — Main Street
Forest Grove, Oregon

