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### Media Advisory

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### Wheat Ridge Cultural Commission to Host “Meet the Artist” Event

**WHEAT RIDGE, CO** – The Wheat Ridge Cultural Commission will host the third in a series of “Meet the Artist” events on Thursday, January 17<sup>th</sup> at Home Instead Senior Care, 6191 West 44<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Wheat Ridge. The event will be held from 5:30 to 7 p.m. and light refreshments will be served.

Oil painter and multi-media artist Katie Hoffman will be the featured artist at the January event. A Bachelor of Fine Arts graduate of Metropolitan State College in Denver, Hoffman has shown her fanciful work at numerous galleries and venues throughout Colorado, in solo and group shows.

“Using paint, I strive to convey inner realities: the push and pull of fleeting thoughts, the longings and ambiguities of things unspoken,” Hoffman says. “I start with a non-objective under-painting and no preconceptions but texture and color to enter into a dialogue with the paint itself. My creative process is largely intuitive. I bring recognizable imagery to the surface as it suggests itself during the process, but attempt to retain some of the ambiguity of the original vision.”

Hoffman credits Abstract Expressionism as inspiring her work, but she does not complete her work in one dynamic session. She returns to the work numerous times to add more layers of paint, wax, and various media.

The “Meet the Artist” series is organized by the Wheat Ridge Cultural Commission as a way to introduce artists and businesses to the community in a casual setting that promotes the arts in Wheat Ridge.

“When Doug and I purchased the Home Instead offices on 44<sup>th</sup> Avenue, we wanted to provide a place where people could host meetings, training sessions, board meetings and other public activities,” says Ann Allen, who owns Home Instead with her husband Doug. “We are happy to be part of the ‘Meet the Artist’ event series.”

Home Instead Senior Care is a licensed agency that provides care for seniors in their own homes, allowing seniors to live safely and independently in a familiar setting.

The Wheat Ridge Cultural Commission was created to promote culture and arts in the City and foster cultural enrichment and education opportunities for the citizens of Wheat Ridge. For more information on the Cultural Commission or the “Meet the Artist” events, contact Milly Nadler at [millynadler@gmail.com](mailto:millynadler@gmail.com).

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