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February “Meet the Artist” Event Announced

WHEAT RIDGE, CO – The Wheat Ridge Cultural Commission will host the next “Meet the Artist” event on Thursday, February 21st at Teller Street Gallery and Studios, 7190 W. 38th Avenue. The event will be held from 5:30 to 7 p.m. and light refreshments will be served. Lucie Kiwimagi, an abstract artist who works in mixed media and collage, will be the featured artist.

Kiwimagi, who has a bachelor’s degree in art history from the University of Arizona and a Master’s in counseling psychology and art therapy from the Naropa Institute, has studied drawing and painting at the Silvermine Guild, the Mystic Art Association, and Central Connecticut State University. She has shown her work at the Art Students’ League of Denver and the Pastel Society of Colorado.

“My artwork is usually unplanned and spontaneously conceived. I borrow from the organic details and rhythms of nature, and I’m fascinated by how these elements are metaphors for parts of the self. Tempera and chalk pastel are my preferred media; I love them because they are gritty and soft, pure and vibrant,” said Kiwimagi. “Recently, my main mode of working is to deconstruct stored art works that are without resolve and collage them into mixed-media pieces that synthesize elements of past and future.”

The “Meet the Artist” series is organized by the Wheat Ridge Cultural Commission as a way to bring community residents, businesses and artists together in an informal setting to explore the creative process. “I welcome the opportunity to become involved in the Artists’ event for the sake of increasing awareness of artists living and working in Wheat Ridge, and to enhance the vitality of our City,” said Kiwimagi.

Teller Street Gallery and Studio, owned by Mandy and Joe Fulton, features experienced professional and up-and-coming artists from all around Colorado. The 6,000 square-foot art gallery, which opened in the summer of 2012, also features a wine bar and offers numerous art classes in a variety of mediums.

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.

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