Missing Peace Art Space



A tolerant, non-commercial artistic forum for contemplating the issues of peace and violence. www.MissingPeaceArt.org 234 S. Dutoit St., Dayton, OH 45402-2215 (937) 241-4353

Gabriela Pickett

Gallery Owner

Gabriela comes from a long line of artists. She studied Studio Art at Wright State University in Dayton, Ohio receiving her Master's degree in Humanities.



Born in Mexico, Gabriela developed a fondness for pre-Hispanic metaphors that blended images of social injustice with the persecution of Mexico's indigenous people. Gabriela sees art as a powerful tool for conveying messages that can break through the cultural, ethnic, and religious barriers between

people.

Gabriela says that: "In an era when globalization should be bringing us closer together, our differences sometimes pull us apart. Art can overcome barriers to communication and instill a respect for diversity. When we pursue a common goal, in spite of our individual differences, we empower a sense of commonality that nurtures our desire for a better life for all people. Art can be a fundamental tool for promoting social consciousness and respect for human rights."

Gabriela's art uses a venue of political commentary to depict images of social injustice that need to be addressed.

Gabriela Pickett's Recent International Art Exhibitions

- Proyecto futuro, arte contemporáneo, Casa de la Cultura de Morelia, Mexico
- Mystery Magical Exhibition. Gabrichidze Gallery, Brussels Belgium
- Artenade. Summer Red Cross Exhibition. The Hague. Netherlands
- Autum Fine Art Exhibition, The Framers Gallery, London, UK.
- Winter Exhibition Tamm Gallery, Tallin, Estonia
- "Women Organize Internationally: Art Across Borders", International Museum of Women. San Francisco, CA

(For more information, go to: www.gabrielapickett.com)

Steve Fryburg

Gallery Director

Steve and his wife Rosemary have lived in the Dayton, Ohio area for over 30 years. In the 1970's, Steve served in the U.S. Army as a military police officer, evidence technician, and tank crewman. He later served as a deputy sheriff and officer in the Bellbrook, Ohio area until he retired from law enforcement in the 1990's.

Steve received a degree from the University of Dayton with a major in Police Administration. As one of the original founders of the Dayton International Peace Museum, Steve served as a Board member and Director from 2005-09. He currently serves on the Executive Committee of the International Network of Museums for Peace, a non-governmental organization representing peace organizations in over 30 countries.

Steve has traveled extensively and taught peace to



thousands of young people in such troubled countries as Iran, Pakistan, India, Palestine, and Egypt.

"On International Peace Day, Sept. 21, 2006, I had the honor to be a member of a Peace delegation from the U.S. Federation of Middle East Peace, a United Nations registered NGO, which traveled to Egypt.

During that trip I had the opportunity to speak at the Arab League Headquarters, Cairo about the concept of the culture of peace and peace museums."

While on a peace mission to Iran, Steve met with the Director of the Society for Chemical Weapons Victims Support, an Iranian non-governmental organization. Steve gave assistance and encouragement, which helped evolve that fledgling peace organization into what is now a thriving Peace Museum in Tehran.

"In my travels I have found that the people of peace far out number those who are violent in the world, but we listen more to the violent because they are louder. The time has come for peace to be heard. It is time to give peace a space in our world."