

Paradise City Arts Festivals

Northampton, Massachusetts

May 27, 28 & 29

Springtime in Paradise Goes "Tulipmania!"



Celebrate the Pioneer Valley's Go Dutch! extravaganza with "Tulipmania!", when Paradise City's exhibiting artists compete in a show-within-a-show encompassing all media categories and featuring a selection of America's most renowned independent painters, sculptors and craft designers.

The 275 exhibiting artists from throughout the United States have the opportunity to create at least one tulip inspired piece to display in their booths Memorial Day Weekend. It may be two or three dimensional, abstract or realist, functional or purely an art piece. Look for the "Tulipmania!" signs on designated work in each participating artist's booth.

This competition features an extraordinary selection of imaginative objects, created by many of Paradise City's finest exhibiting artists. Sponsored cash prizes will be awarded to the "Tulipmania!" pieces judged best in the show.

Who:

Exhibiting artists from around the country will create works on a tulip theme. This show-within-a-show will be judged by museum curators from the Smith College Museum of Art and the University of Massachusetts. Awards will be given for the most creative Tulipmania! submissions.

What:

Tulipmania! at Springtime in Paradise

Where:

Indoors and under tents, rain or shine
Three County Fairgrounds · Route 9
Northampton, MA

When:

Memorial Day Weekend, May 27-29, 2006
Saturday and Sunday, 10am-6pm
Monday, 10am-5pm

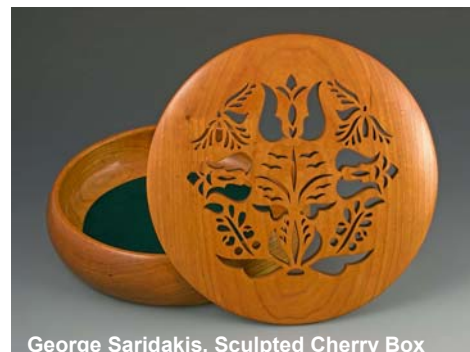
Why:

Tulipmania! is part of *Go Dutch!*, a celebration of all things Dutch spearheaded by the Eric Carle Museum of Picture Book Art, Museums 10 and the Pioneer Valley's region-wide series of exhibitions and activities on a Dutch theme from March through August 2006.

Tulipmania's judges include **Linda Muehlig**, Curator of Paintings and Sculpture at the Smith College Museum of Art; **Betsy Siersma**, retired Director of the University Gallery at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst; **Linda Horvitz Post**, painter and Founding Director of Paradise City; and **Geoffrey Post**, fiber artist and Founding Director of Paradise City. The judging will take place on Saturday, May 27, so the public will have a chance to view the winners.

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