# Jamie A. Hulley Arts Foundation Summ Summer 2008 Newsletter

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### A letter from Jamie's family ...

When we first created this foundation our goal was to establish a few small scholarships for young artists to be able to do the types of things that Jamie loved to do. But "small dreams" were definitely not Jamie's style. Now, thanks to the hard work and generosity of our Board of Directors, our annual benefit committee, and our hundreds of supporters (this means you), Jamie's Foundation has given away nearly \$90,000 in scholarships and grants to young artists, early career professionals, schools, and community groups in the past five years. Jamie's words ring true, "what would I want with small dreams?"



One of Jamie's dreams was to have her artwork in the public eye; she was certainly not shy about wanting people to know her name and to know of her work. Because of Jamie's unique use of color, well-known watercolorist Marcia Moses included three pieces of Jamie's artwork in her new book Understanding Color (Sterling Press, 2008). Jamie's Coffee Conversations recently gained international exposure when Denmark's leading construction firm, MT Hojgaard, used it as the logo for a

marketing meeting with 2,000 attendees. The text reads, "Conversations 2008 - A dialogue about competencies, development and welfare."

Our sixth annual Evening for the Arts benefit is just around the corner – September 13, 2008. BEATLEMANIA - The Tribute is back after last year's magical mystery tour through 1960's Liverpool, Strawberry Fields & Abby Road. The performers include Lenie Colacino as Paul, Jon Omega as John, Jess Banner as George and Joe Nocco as Ringo. David Raffauf returns as Master of Ceremonies and we can only guess what psychedelic treats he has in store for us this year! Our auction includes an August 2009 week on Cape Cod, 100 gallons of home heating oil, theater tickets, sports memorabilia, jewelry, fabulous baskets of goodies & much more. The pre-show reception begins at 6 pm with complimentary wine and hors d'oeuvres. Tickets are \$40 in advance. Purchase your tickets early for this "rock the house" sure-to-sell-out show.

Judy Primavera, Fred Hulley, Kari Hulley



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### Scholarships 2008

2008 was an expansion year for our scholarship program. Jamie's foundation partnered with the Fairfield Arts Council. www.fairfieldartscouncil.org, by sponsoring 15 scholarship prizes for the 2008 juried art exhibit for high school students Bridgeport, Fairfield, Monroe, Stratford, Trumbull, Weston Westport. &



Scholarship recipients & their teachers

Another new venture is the inaugura-

tion of an annual scholarship for a

graduating senior at Jamie's alma mater

Scholarships were awarded in five categories for 1st place, 2nd place & honorable mention. First place winners were Jacquie Earls (drawing), Carolina Cacciola (print/mixed media), Nate Bass & Josh Rubin (photography) & Kelly Gilleran (portfolio).



Amity High School who will study theatre arts in college. Sarah Burns who impressed audiences with her performance in the Drama Club's productions of The Laramie Project and Grease was chosen by Amity faculty as our first recipient. Sarah will be pursuing her dreams for a career in theater at the University of Tampa.

Sarah Burns

The very talented Amity senior Ryan LeMere was awarded the 2008 Studio Art scholarship. Ryan will

study graphic arts at the School of Visual Arts in NYC. Bridget McClellan was chosen for a special Creative Spirit Award in recognition of her dedication to promoting the arts as president of the Amity National Art Honor Society.

Finally, Jamie's foundation was the proud sponsor of four scholarship prizes for Amity's 2008 Film Festival, including Best in Show to Robert Gagne, Greg Passik & Adam Kloc; Best Advanced Student Video to Jake Honig & Michaela



Ryan LeMere

Papa; Best Introductory Level Video to Jasmine Rebhun, Amie Sandillo & Maryssa Kozek; and Best Service Oriented Video to Vinnie Adinolfi & Dan Provenzano.

"The first time her laughter unfurled its wings in the wind, we knew that the world would never be the same.

### **UPCOMING EVENT**

## Jamie A Hulley Arts Foundation's SIXTH annual benefit ...

"An Evening for the Arts"

Saturday, September 13, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. Regina A. Quick Center at Fairfield University Fairfield, CT

featuring

### BEATLEMANIA – The Tribute Masters of Ceremonies David Raffauf

Pre-show reception & silent auction starts at 6 p.m.

\$40 in advance \$45 at the door For information: 203-891-8869, jamieart@snet.net

### Summer Internship -Enriching the Lives of Many

2008 Summer Internship Stipend recipients Sarah Gatti and Jennifer Martin have embarked on a project which will provide them with experience in arts education as they share their talents with the children attending the summer program at Thurgood Marshall School in Bridgeport, CT. The two Fairfield University juniors designed a 3-week educational theater program with acting workshops to introduce the



Jen, Sarah & friends

children to theatre as a form of communication, expression & personal development. The children will engage in dramatizations of the folktales they are learning about in the more academic-focused English studies component of the summer program. Currently, there is no theater program at Thurgood Marshall School so Sarah and Jen's internship not only enhances their own pre-professional training but it enriches the local community by introducing 140 children to the wonders of theatre.

### Congrats to Lou Jefferson

We would like to congratulate 2004 scholarship winner Louis Jefferson III who graduated from Southern Connecticut State University and is launching his career as a working artist. His most recent exhibit was at the Essence Marketplace in New Orleans. Check out his bold and vibrant jazz-inspired work at www.jeffersonart.com

### The Wesleyan Connection

As a college student Jamie truly *loved* being a part of the "life" of Wesleyan University. At graduation, her classmates dedicated their class gift, a technological classroom renovation, to Jamie's "vivacious spirit." In May, the Class of 2003's five-year reunion festivities included an unveiling of Jamie's *Self Portrait* in Fisk 210. Also, one of Jamie's larger works, *Captured Beauty*, was hung in Conference Room 108 in Usdan University Center for all to enjoy. Everyone who knew Jamie appreciates how very special it is that her artwork is now "a part of" the campus she loved so dearly. Special thanks to Mary Livingston, John Driscoll, and the class of 2003 for making this part of Jamie's legacy a reality.



Jamie's Wesleyan friends Pete Harvey & Katie Halper

The foundation programs at Wesleyan are flourishing. In the past five years, we have awarded 11 Studio Art Thesis Stipends and 14 Bologna Travel Stipends. The 2008 Art Thesis recipients are Matt Alie, Lisa Dudley & Josh Pavacki. Our Bologna travelers for this year are Ari King, Brittany Fowler, Diana Hubbell & Maren Ellingboe.

Our Wesleyan "family" of recipients has been very busy since graduation. We encourage you to check out their websites and support them in any way you can as they pursue their dreams.

Ben Fash (2007) spent four months photographing in India and Nepal and is now working at ARTworkSF Gallery in downtown San Francisco. He exhibited several photographs in the San Francisco International Arts Festival - photos he credits to our funding of his senior thesis work. We at the foundation are grateful to Ben for his donation of two of his wonderful photos to our benefit auction. Ben and his brothers started the non-profit organization Donate Trees, www.donatetrees.org, a reforestation project currently focused in Honduras with dreams of expansion to other ecologically endangered areas of the world.

Carolyn Wachnicki (2005) reports that she is happy to have found her "niche" by starting her own design company, redheadcanvas.com, and is busy creating identity products, album art, etc. and teaching art history courses in NYC.

Sam Schwartz (2005) is completing her training as a psychologist at the Chicago School of Professional Psychology and because of her dedication to improving the lives of HIV+ individuals Sam is training to run the half marathon (13.1 miles) in Amsterdam in October 2008 with the AIDS Foundation of Chicago. She hopes to raise \$4,200 and you can help her achieve that goal through http://www.aidsmarathon.com/participant.asp?runner=CH-0187&Year=2008&EventCode=AM08H



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