



**JOHN JAMES Audubon
CENTER AT MILL GROVE**

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***Mill Grove, Lower Providence Township Host 3rd Annual Juried Art Show
Yearly Event Celebrates Local Artists***

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The John James Audubon Center at Mill Grove (JJAC) and Lower Providence Township – event co-sponsors – announce their 3rd Annual Juried Art Show. From April 20-29, 2007, JJAC will exhibit approved entries in its historic 240-year-old barn. Last year, the show attracted more than 150 professional, semi-professional and amateur artists with remarkable talent. Nearly 1,000 visitors attended last year's event and purchased many of the approximately 400 works on display. JJAC looks forward to repeating this success.

The jurors for this year's Art Show are Fred Danziger and Mitch Harper. Mr. Danziger teaches painting at the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts. His work is included in the collections of the Philadelphia Museum of Art, the Woodmere Art Museum, and the Philip & Muriel Berman Museum of Art at Ursinus College. He is currently represented by Sherry French Gallery in New York City and paints in direct response to the inspirations of nature.

Mr. Harper has been employed as an Arts Specialist by JJAC, where he teaches naturalist art. For his M.F.A. degree Harper used local gemstones to create sculptures that question the environmental consequences of the gem industry. He is also the production designer for Visceral Cinema and selected the sculptures featured in their new movie, *Farewell Liberty*.

The theme for the 2007 show centers on the concept of nature's healing properties. All artwork must be pre-registered, and artists must deliver their work to JJAC on Tuesday, April 17. The show will open to the public on Friday, April 20. Many of the works will be available for purchase. Prizes will be awarded in multiple categories, and a portion of all art sales benefits JJAC. Admission to the Art Show is FREE, and guests may visit during regular museum hours: Tuesday-Saturday 10 am – 4 pm, Sunday 1 pm – 4 pm, closed Mondays. To receive a prospectus for entering the show and a pre-registration form, please call 610-666-5593 x101 or visit <http://pa.audubon.org>

Built in 1762 and listed on the National Register of Historic Places, Mill Grove was the first American home of renowned artist, naturalist, and author John James Audubon. Today, 175 acres of Mill Grove's original estate remains largely as Audubon found it -- a haven for birds and wildlife. The property boasts more than nine miles of trails, and the historic three-story stone farmhouse serves as a museum displaying original Audubon prints, oil paintings, and Audubon artifacts. More information about JJAC is available at http://pa.audubon.org/centers_mill_grove.html or by calling 610-666-5593 x101.

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