

**New board of CREATIVE 360 focusing on sustaining the organization and announces fund-raising event**

Friday, January 13, 2012: Last evening, in a significant reorganization, the Board of Directors of Creative 360 responsible for discovering severe financial inconsistencies last September, welcomed a new brand new board.

As the new board members were announced, each gave an overview of their personal connections with Creative 360 and spoke with passion about their dedication to making Creative 360 a self-sustaining organization. They expressed deep gratitude to the former board for its diligence in managing the organization's debt issues and immediate obligations. All agreed that Creative 360 provides programs, events and classes that are distinctive from other arts organizations.

Since last September, Creative 360 has received generous financial support from past board members and the community which has been vital to getting it back on its feet and organized for future success.

Co-Founder Linda Smith participated in the transition. Speaking to both boards, she centered everyone's thinking around the mission of the organization as it was created, recounted the history and challenges that are common to many non-profits, and concluded with her commitment to continue to actively engage in assisting the new board as a non-voting member as needed.

The new board immediately convened and began selection of officers and planning of a celebration and fundraising event on January 26 at 7 pm at Creative 360. At this event, there will be live music, food, and opportunity to creatively interact with the work of Creative 360, and the new board will present the breadth of current capabilities of Creative 360, introduce the new board members and officers. The event is free and everyone is welcome so join us in supporting and continuing to fund this unique destination within the Great Lakes Bay Region. Artwork, services and participation in Creative 360 programs will be for sale at this event, with proceeds contributed to the organization.

Formed in 1994 Creative 360 will continue to focus on providing wellness through the experience, expression and expansion of the creative self.

New board members:

Ann Butzler  
David Dauer  
Holly Harris  
Ray Lacina  
Larry Levy  
Janet Love  
Betty Meyette  
Julie Prince  
Paul Roberts  
Karen Robertson  
Shona Siddiqui  
Carol Speltz