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Art notes

Grace Park hosts art fair on Saturday

100 artists to showcase wares at annual event

Now in its fourth year, the University Park Art Fair at Grace Park will showcase more than 100 regional artists from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday.

Grace Park, Akron's oldest park, is on Perkins Street and is now part of the University Park Development Corporation, a resurgent neighborhood in the center of Akron, bordered by the University of Akron, Akron City Hospital, Akron Public Schools, the Haven of Rest Ministries, as well as Akron's art and downtown business districts.

In addition to the 100-plus artist booths selling objects in ceramics, glass, fiber, wood, leather, metal, mixed media, and works in all the studio arts, the event will feature:

- Make-and-take project booth sponsored by the Akron Art Museum.
- Large-scale community art project headed by Akron artist Mark Soppeland called *Creatures of the Midnight Sun An Exploration of the Beasts and Their Favorite Treats Upon Which They Like to Feast*. Visitors to the project may participate and add their own touch.
- Exhibit areas featuring artwork by MRDD/Weaver School and Hattie Larlham artists.
- Bill Roddy Juggle Art Painting.
- Rubber City Clothing selling Akron-centric wear.
- Food and entertainment, including a variety of live performances and a picnic pavilion operated by Virtues Restaurant.



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On-street parking is available in the surrounding neighborhoods as well as in the lots of adjacent businesses.

For more information call 330-374-9470 or visit <http://www.universityparkartfair.org>, <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Akron-OH/University-Park-Art-Fair-at-Grace-Park/24122432662> or <http://twitter.com/UParkArtAkron>.