

# Paradise City

FAIRS OF FINE AND FUNCTIONAL ART

May 1, 2 & 3 · Philadelphia

**“Eye-popping visual splendor!”**



Jennifer McCurdy's work defies gravity, and astonishes with its fluid grace.

**P**aradise City Arts Festival, named #1 among all art fairs in America in 2008, moves to the Pennsylvania Convention Center this spring. Meet nearly 150 of the nation's most exciting artists and master craft designers, from those with established reputations to emerging artists at the cutting edge of design. Enjoy live jazz every day among the trees, plantings and orchids in the beautiful indoor Sculpture Garden. Don't miss "Shall We Dance!", a special juried exhibition of works celebrating the performing arts.

## A Partnership Made in Heaven...

### Avenue of the Arts, Inc. and Paradise City

Paradise City and Avenue of the Arts, Inc. present a Preview Party on **Thursday evening, April 30**. All proceeds will benefit Avenue of the Arts, Inc. This festive

reception will showcase the visual and performing arts side by side, reflecting the treasures that abound on the Avenue of the Arts. Expect an elegant cocktail party, live jazz, great food and performances by:  
**Savoy Opera Company, Pennsylvania Ballet, Rebecca Davis Dance Company, Grupo Fuego** and even dancing lessons!



**Preview Party Tickets:  
215-731-9668**



Barnes, "Dancing in the Night"



**Preview party includes free admission to the show on May 1, 2 or 3.**

**Jazz melodies float through the air, a seat in the Sculpture Garden beckons...** A garden of artful delights, filled with flowers, trees, stone fountains, large-scale sculpture and one-of-a-kind furniture, is the setting for lively jazz each day. A voluptuous display by the SE Pennsylvania Orchid Society brings a touch of the tropics to the heart of Philadelphia.

## Fast Facts

### What:

Philadelphia's award-winning show and sale of fine craft, paintings and sculpture, with nearly 150 juried exhibitors from 25 states.

Look for extraordinary works in art glass, metal, ceramics, painting, jewelry, decorative fiber, leather, fine furniture, mixed media, photography, wearable art, large-scale sculpture and wood.

From wedding rings to 30-foot clocks, the one-of-a-kind finds at Paradise City are sophisticated, imaginative and often playful!

### Where: **New Location!**

Pennsylvania Convention Center, Hall D  
1101 Arch Street  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19107

### When:

Thursday Benefit Preview	4/30	5:30-8pm
Friday	5/1	Noon-8pm
Saturday	5/2	10am-6pm
Sunday	5/3	11am-5pm



### Admission:

Adults: \$12. Seniors: \$10. Students: \$8.  
Weekend Pass: \$15. 12 and under: free.  
Benefit Opening: \$75 advance tickets.  
Free full color program with admission.

[www.paradisecityarts.com](http://www.paradisecityarts.com)

### Special Event: **Shall We Dance!**

Don't miss the special exhibition of dance motifs in ceramics, glass, fiber, metal, painting, wood and jewelry created especially for this event by Paradise City artists.

This exuberant show-within-a-show tips a hat to the age-old love affair between the visual and performing arts, and honors Paradise City's liaison with Avenue of the Arts, Inc.

You may see dancing teapots and prancing sculpture, ballerinas woven into carpets, jazz dancers carved from painted wood and, of course, paintings and photographs celebrating the performing arts.

Preview Party Tickets and Information:

[www.avenueofthearts.com](http://www.avenueofthearts.com)