

## From the office of the Mayor Mark T. Kupsky

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As the Mayor of Fairview Heights, I welcome you to our city and to the 35<sup>th</sup> annual Midwest Salute to the Arts! We are excited to have you join us at Moody Park on August 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> at the Midwest Premier Art Show featuring up to 100 juried artists, as they display their fine crafts and works of art.

The City of Fairview Heights has served as the host city and primary sponsor of the Salute to the Arts every year since the inaugural event in 1988. The show started as a vision from one of our elected officials who had visited an art event in Mystic, CT and brought back the idea to our community. With the commitment and dedication of many individuals, the City of Fairview Heights launched this amazing event for the St. Louis metropolitan area.

Fairview Heights has so much to offer, including shopping, dining, activities for all ages, as well as one of the regions super malls, St Clair Square. Our community has dozens of restaurants, catering to all types of food, many hotels, a great library, outstanding police and fire department, great schools and a variety of churches and faith-based organizations in our city.

The city has incredible recreational activities in our seven parks, including our premier recreational facility "The Rec"! Also, 3 dog parks for our four-legged friends to enjoy! We have a great mix of residents from all cultures who call Fairview Heights home and welcome you to enjoy our community.

I invite you to visit and support our many local businesses in town that offer unique experiences from shopping, dining and desserts!

Our city is located just a few miles from Scott Air Force Base, home to multiple military commands and thousands of military individuals and families that call our area and Fairview Heights home!

The Salute to the Arts is an amazing event that wouldn't happen without the support of the whole community, sponsors and hundreds of volunteers that support the Midwest Salute to the Art's Council, who leads this event.

I look forward to seeing you at the Salute to the Arts, where you will enjoy visiting with the artists as they share their amazing talents and craftmanship with you and the community.

Welcome to Fairview Heights,

Mark T. Kupsky, Mayor