#### **BELLINGHAM SUNDIAL MURAL PROJECT BY NW SUNWORKS**

What could be a better use of a 28'x54' south facing wall in Bellingham's downtown core than a beautifully designed sundial mural for everyone to enjoy? Since before the beginning of this year, NW Sunworks has been collaborating and dreaming up one such installation Finally we have a great interactive piece better than we could have imagined! Not only is the Bellingham Sundial Mural project an art piece, but an eye catching interactive celestial memento that reminds us of our motion through space and the intricate dance of life.

The road has been long and winding, and we finally feel we have something spectacular to offer to donors who are interested in contributing to this public work. This mural will be installed on the south facing wall of the Ciao Thyme building just north of the Mt. Baker theater. Communication with the owner of the building began over a year ago. Once the contract was signed granting permission for a sundial mural to be installed and remain for at least 10 years, it was off to the races! With Allied Arts on board as our fiscal sponsor, we used their website to publish the RFP calling to muralists and sundialist worldwide to submit their ideas. We were fortunate to receive 27 submissions from 11 different countries! Our distinguished jury panel of sundialists and art professionals were tasked with choosing the best possible design. In the end it was none other than a local Bellingham muralist, Gretchen Leggitt. It is amazing that after searching far and wide it came down to someone right here in Bellingham. We definitely have talent in our midst.

The jury panel felt that what made this work special, beyond it being a functional sundial and educational tool, was it's connection to our town and the vibrancy it holds. Bellingham itself is a young active town so closely connected to nature that this will be a perfect fit to the aesthetic of the area. Gretchen has also agreed to work alongside professional gnomonists to integrate the precise technical aspects of the sundial into the work. The combination of great art and a well appointed solar time piece will make this a world class installation.



We are working on raising \$22,000 which will pay for the design award, cost of installation, and future maintenance. Contributions are tax deductible, and contributors will be listed on a plaque as part of the installation.

## Will you donate to our project to help our dream become a reality?

If all goes well we will get this up on the wall this fall. Thank you for your support in realizing this unique functional and

educational work of art that will be highly appreciated by both Bellinghamsters and all those who visit here. As tourism grows in our constantly changing downtown core, this project truly has the ability to put Bellingham on the map!

For additional information please call Sasch Stephens, at 360-739-1420 or <u>sasch@nwsunworks.com</u>

# Winner of the Bellingham Sundial Mural Project Gretchen Leggitt

28' x 54' wall located at 207 Unity Street.







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I, \_\_\_\_\_, would like to donate to the 'Sundial Mural Project' by releasing funds to Allied Arts who is the fiscal sponsor to this project. NW Sunworks is the organizers of this event.

Please write checks made out to Allied Arts, and thank you again for being a part of this exciting project.

Send check and this sheet to:

Sasch Stephens/NW Sunworks. PO Box 5652. Bellingham, WA. 98227.