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Salvation Army to Take Part in 2024 ArtPrize Open House and Free Art Classes Sept. 14

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (September 10, 2024) – The Salvation Army in Kent County is taking part in the very popular ArtPrize in downtown Grand Rapids. They will be hosting five artists whose works will be on display Sept. 13-28 at The Salvation Army Fulton Heights Citadel/Community Center.

One of the artists is also an employee at the Grand Rapids Kroc Center and her display will consist of art that explores the meaning of The Salvation Army's motto "Doing the Most Good".

"These artists are sharing their spiritual gift to highlight The Salvation Army's work in the community," said Grand Valley Area Commander Major Tim Meyer. "We are so excited to participate with them in ArtPrize this year."

A "Meet the Artist" open house is scheduled for Saturday September 14 beginning at 10:00 a.m., where free art classes will also be held for children and adults. Artists Laura & Matthew Songer will also be teaching classes at The Fulton Heights Senior Program on Monday, September 16.

The Fulton Heights Community Center is located at 1235 Fulton St. East in Grand Rapids. For more information about the artists go to sakentcounty.org.

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About The Salvation Army:

In 2023, The Salvation Army in Kent County helped provide 8,814 meals to senior citizens, 11,423 individuals with groceries, 8,308 households obtain or maintain housing, 892 households with utility assistance, thousands in recovery outpatient services and life-saving detox experiences and served 1,751 households as part of Christmas assistance. Nationally, the Salvation Army uses \$.86 of every dollar raised to provide direct services to people in need. For more information, go to www.sakentcounty.org.