

PRESS RELEASE

Go Fly a Kite With ACT! for Kids

Arts Council of Tamworth's ACT! For Kids monthly programs provide children hands-on creative outlets for artistic expressions of all types. ACT's final program of the 2007-08 season (workshops will resume in the fall) will be one for *kids of all ages*. Both children and adults are welcome to participate in *Go Fly a Kite!*, spending a spring afternoon in an ideal way. Archie Stewart, international master kite flyer and educator, will lead the 1-4 p.m. workshop on Saturday, May 10 at K.A. Brett School, Route 113 in Tamworth.

The kite workshop is a wonderful introduction to the world of kites and kite-building. Archie begins the workshop with a world tour beginning in 2000 BC China, traveling all around the globe, ending in modern-day USA; participants learn about other civilizations through history and their kite customs. After learning about the characteristics of flight, everybody will learn how to build and fly their own kite. The afternoon will end with a group outdoor flight, providing a wonderful opportunity for some superb photos.

Archie Stewart, of Charlestown, Massachusetts, is an Eastern League Kite Champion and a Newport Cup Champion at the Newport Kite Festival. He is a member of American Kitefliers Association and has been chairman of festivals and competitions for Kites Over New England (KONE), the regional kite club of New England. He is also a member of ConnectiKites kite club and a member and competitor of the Eastern League Flyers Association. He has produced kite festivals all over New England and was curator for an International Kite Exhibit at the Wenham Museum in Wenham, MA. He has also conducted many workshops, including ones at the Worcester Art Museum and DeCordova Museum.

The \$5 fee for participating in the Tamworth workshop is based on a kite kit, rather than per participant. A parent and child can build a kite together, or each family member can make their very own kite. Children under age 6 must be accompanied and supervised by an adult. The kits must be pre-ordered, so call Carolyn Hemingway today at 323-8263 to place your order and reserve your spot in this exciting workshop. The sign-up deadline is Monday, May 5.

Arts Council of Tamworth wishes to recognize the support of event sponsor Tamworth TimberWrights, as well as season sponsor Silver Lake Home Center, in helping to make this and other ACT! performances and programs available to residents of Tamworth and all its neighboring communities.