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### Pike Performing Arts Center

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**PIKE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER'S**

*Gallery Seven*

**PRESENTS**

# IT'S ALL ABOUT THE HYPHEN

**GALLERY SEVEN, 6701 Zionsville Road, Indianapolis,** is pleased to present a collection of monoprints by **Julie Klaper**. The exhibit will also include sculpture and paintings from the Artistic Spirit Gallery. **Gallery Seven is located in the lobby of the Pike Performing Arts Center.**

Ms. Klaper creates monoprints on large pieces of antique damask tablecloth. These creations are painted over images she has transferred from tombstones located in Charleston, South Carolina. Her fascination with not the year of birth and death, but the persons' life – represented by the hyphen – became her inspiration. Ms. Klaper has studied, and incorporated funerary symbols in her work. The historical allusion is reinforced with the hand stitching, as for a sampler.

In addition, Ms. Klaper founded The Artistic Spirit Gallery, which focuses on works by outsider artists. These are people with a compulsion to create, not knowing why and often after a life-changing experience. Outside of the mainstream art society, their work is represented through paintings, sculpture and carvings. In December, 10% of all sales on site, and through the Artistic Spirit website to any patron mentioning the Pike Performing Arts Center, will be donated to the Center. Visit [www.artisticspiritgallery.com](http://www.artisticspiritgallery.com).

This thought provoking exhibit is **free**.

*Gallery Seven* is open Monday through Friday from 1:00 until 4:00 pm and on weekends during any performance. For an appointment, call 317-216-5443.

**The exhibit will run December 3 through December 28, 2007**