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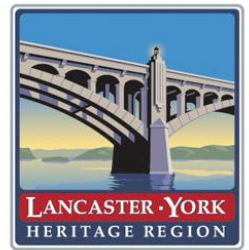
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## **Help Keep River Art Collection Together**

Local group seeks contributions from community.

**Wrightsville, PA** – The Lancaster-York Heritage Region and York County artist Rob Evans are working to acquire selected artwork from the Visions of the Susquehanna exhibit as a permanent collection of river art for public display and interpretation in the region.

This impressive exhibit has been well received at six venues in three states, and is currently on display at the Roberson Museum & Science Center in Binghamton, NY. Keeping significant portions of the collection together will help interpret the scenic beauty, natural wonder, and rich history of the Susquehanna for current and future generations of residents and visitors.

The total project budget for the first phase of exhibit acquisition is \$100,000. The Heritage Region has secured grant funding through the Pennsylvania Heritage Areas Program for \$50,000 of this cost. The remaining \$50,000 must be raised from the local community by June 30, 2008 to match the state funds.

**With one-half of the match amount raised so far, and only one week to go before the grant deadline, the Heritage Region invites the public to support this initiative with a generous, tax-deductible donation to the acquisition fund. Checks may be made payable to the Lancaster-York Heritage Region, 1706 Long Level Road, Wrightsville, PA 17368.**

Artwork acquired for this collection will initially be displayed at The John & Kathryn Zimmerman Center for Heritage, located on the river south of Wrightsville. The collection will be permanently exhibited at the proposed Susquehanna Gateway Visitor Education Center, planned as part of the new Susquehanna Heritage Park, also along the river south of Wrightsville.

**More information about Visions of the Susquehanna and donation opportunities can be found on the Heritage Region's website, [www.StoriesoftheLand.com](http://www.StoriesoftheLand.com), by email at [info@lyhr.org](mailto:info@lyhr.org), or by calling 717-252-0229.**

The Lancaster-York Heritage Region is a non-profit organization that helps identify, preserve, interpret and promote the rich heritage and culture of York and Lancaster Counties. For more information about the organization please visit [www.StoriesoftheLand.com](http://www.StoriesoftheLand.com).

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