

# Memories in the Making



## Unique program in Indianapolis gives voice to those with memory loss

Indianapolis, IN - American Senior Communities, through their Auguste's Cottage Memory Care Centers, has been a long time supporter of the "Memories in the Making" program conducted by the Alzheimer's Association. "Memories in the Making" is a unique program for individuals with Alzheimer's disease and other related dementia. The program encourages and supplies the means for participants to express themselves through art. Through the creative processes of painting, sketching and drawing, the artists are able to produce a tangible means of expression that speaks to their families, professional caregivers, and the public.

Groups of 5 to 10 participants meet weekly under the guidance of an art facilitator specifically trained to work with those with memory loss and dementia. Many of the Auguste's Cottage Memory Care Centers in Indianapolis will be conducting the program on site. At the end of the 10 week program, each ASC Community will proudly display the works at an art show and auction within their facility. Specific times, dates and locations for the program at each ASC community will be announced in the near future.

As a grand finale after the individual art shows, the pieces will then be sent to the Harrison Center of the Arts, located at 1505 N. Delaware in Indianapolis. In culmination, the Harrison Center will host the citywide "Memories in the Making Art Show and Auction" on November 6th, 2009 from 6-9pm. Proceeds from the auction benefit the Alzheimer's Association.

Paintings, sketches and drawings created by these artists are highly expressive and poignant. In viewing the art, the families, caregivers and the public are often touched by the perceivable evidence of what remains of the individual, even after the disease has robbed them of so much.

For more information or to volunteer for Memories in the Making, please contact Tina Mabrey (317) 575-9620 or email: [tina.mabrey@alz.org](mailto:tina.mabrey@alz.org).

*For more information regarding Auguste's Cottage Memory Care or American Senior Communities, visit [www.AmericanSrCommunities.com](http://www.AmericanSrCommunities.com)*

**SAVE**  
the **DATE**

After the INSERT DATE Art Show and Auction at INSERT COMMUNITY, pieces will be sent to take part in the city-wide Memories in the Making Art Show at the Harrison Art Gallery on **November 6th from 6pm to 9pm**. Please mark your calendars for this special occasion and we hope to see you there!

The Harrison Center for the Arts | 1505 North Delaware | Indianapolis, IN 46202