DOLPHIN GALLERY

GERALD AND KELLY HONG: CLAY SCULPTURE

Opening Reception: Saturday, April 3, 2010, 5:00 p.m. Exhibit remains through April 28

The Dolphin Gallery will present a ceramic exhibit of the work of Gerald and Kelly Hong from the opening on Saturday, April 3 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. through April 28.

The collaborative work of Gerald and Kelly Hong is the result of a joining of minds, aesthetics and hearts. Gerald's work is very strong and solid in form and is decorated with geometric patterns. Kelly's work is more fanciful in design and highly patterned with imagery drawn from nature. Out of this seemingly disparate artistic approach, they found fundamental similarities in their work. Both of them rely heavily on the Asian aesthetic and they both aim to create work which appears both ancient, yet new, at the same time.

Gerald and Kelly married in 1996 and "married" their work as well. While they still create individual work, they both enjoy working collaboratively. They find the process exciting and they feel liberated by being able to make work which would have never been created by either one of them alone.

When they sit down to design a new collaborative piece, they hammer out the design together on paper.

Gerald and Kelly each make the parts in their respective methods that will be combined in the final result. It can be thrown, slab built or sculpted. Design is impressed, incised or taped. Glazes are airbrushed or inlaid. Sometimes, Gerald builds the piece and Kelly does the surface decoration. That piece is then fired in the Raku process. Kelly



adds the final decorative elements, be they an intricate fiber finial or a bead to add an accent of color. The resulting work is a combination of both of their artistic visions yet it still resonates with the essence of their individual styles.

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39225 Highway One in Gualala, CA

(behind the post office on the south side) Call (707) 884-3896 for more information.

ART MORE OFF THE WALL

Gualala Arts is gearing up for the second Art (and more!) Off The Wall fund raising party. on May 29.

Gualala Arts needs at least 110 donationss of art or non-art items valued at more than \$75. The committee is looking for art you have made or purchased in the past, have enjoyed, but are now ready to donate. Also popular are items of value that only you can offer, such as dinners, vacation rentals, jewelry, entertainment, etc. Let us know by May 1 Bring in your donations by May 11

All donations are tax deductible.

Call Karen Tracy at the Arts Center (707-884-1138) to make a verbal commitment before May 1. Bring your donation to the Arts Center on May 11. If you have any questions about the event or the donation process, please contact Gualala Arts or Dave Bower, the Committee Chair, at 707-785-9725.