

2014 SPECIAL RECOGNITION:

Zufall Health Center

Morris Arts is truly delighted to honor The Zufall Health Center for its outstanding work to promote and enhance the visual arts as part of their health care work in the community of Dover.

A beacon of hope for those in need of accessible, affordable health care, the Zufall Health Center is bringing the world of art to their patients. By creating its *Art for Health* program, the Center provides local professional and amateur artists the opportunity to showcase their creative talents and cultural diversity on the walls throughout their recently renovated, landmark building in Dover.

For 24 years, Zufall Health Center has been dedicated to providing exceptional primary care to underserved patients. The *Art for Health* program adds another dimension to the care they provide by drawing upon the therapeutic value of art in the healing process. They believe that fine art adds a sense of comfort and beauty to an atmosphere traditionally considered sterile, and helps alleviate the anxiety of being in a medical setting.

On a broader scale, Zufall reaches its patients and staff to culturally enrich its community by offering new channels for creative expression and by inspiring an appreciation of the arts in individuals who may not have access to mainstream visual arts experiences. The Center mounts two, curated, six-month-long art exhibits each year accompanied by related lectures and hands-on workshops.

Their inaugural exhibit, entitled *Celebrating Women Through Art*, was

launched on May 16, 2013 with 24 participating artists. It was followed by a second exhibit, *Celebrating Hispanic Heritage*, in September, 2013 that included the works of 30 artists. Currently, Zufall is working on a new exhibit for this Spring.

Therefore, in recognition of the Zufall Health Center's exceptional holistic vision, its incorporation of art into its healing services and its use of the arts to unify and enrich its community, Morris Arts is delighted to award its 2014 Special Recognition to the Zufall Health Center.

Would a Zufall representative please come up to receive the award?

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