



AUTUMN HALL<sup>SM</sup>

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## **Autumn Hall and CreativeWilmington Partner for Pedestrian Art**

### ***Wilmington's newest community offers public art venue***

May 27, 2008 – Developers with Autumn Hall, Inc. and executives with Creative Wilmington's Pedestrian Art Program have announced that Wilmington's newest mixed-use community will also serve as the city's newest public art venue. The three year contract, set to begin in 2009, calls for three sculptures to be exhibited simultaneously, with new sculptures installed annually. The nine selected works will represent artists from the greater Wilmington area, with each celebrated at annual events marking the new installations. The sculptures will be exhibited in Shannon Garden, one of 11 gardens at Autumn Hall, and one of six which will be completed during the first phase of construction.

“CreativeWilmington is an ideal partner for us,” said Developer Raiford Trask, adding, “We had planned to incorporate sculpture installations, and they facilitated this such that it benefits the community at large and local artists, while reflecting our own vision.” Matt Dols, executive director of CreativeWilmington agrees. “We recognize that Autumn Hall will be a tremendous draw for the local community and tourists alike. This is a great venue for public art and helps others see the value art brings to real estate.”

Shannon Garden is an English-style park with a formal plan. In addition to the sculptures, it will feature ornate hedges, a fountain and reflecting pools.

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About Autumn Hall

Autumn Hall is located just 1.5 miles from Wrightsville Beach and minutes from historic downtown Wilmington. When complete, the project will include 300 single family residences and 200 multi-family units. Some 51 acres of parks, walking trails and green space, in addition to an eight acre lake, a first class tennis facility and a Creek Club on Bradley Creek will contribute to the community's natural and recreational amenities. Autumn Hall will also be home to a wide range of retail, dining and shopping establishments. For more information, visit [www.autumnhall.com](http://www.autumnhall.com).

About CreativeWilmington's Pedestrian Art Program

The Pedestrian Art Program is a public sculpture program intended to serve as an economic, cultural and visual stimulus for the region. The "Ped Art Program" views public art as integral to a community's fabric, by recognizing the potential of art to create livable cities, enhance neighborhood identity, strengthen economic development and tourism, educate children and adults, and enrich the spirit and pride of its citizens. For more information, visit [www.pedestrianart.com](http://www.pedestrianart.com).

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