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# **Fresh A.I.R. Gallery**

Presents

## **Energy through Eternity**

### **Chappelle Letman**

**Columbus, Ohio – (43215)** – Fresh A.I.R. Gallery is pleased to present *Energy through Eternity*, sculptures by Chappelle Letman. Mr. Letman resides in Cleveland, Ohio (44144) and received his B.F.A. from the California College of the Arts and is a sculptor by default of his disability. Employed as a mason, book illustrator, and painter he was affected by blindness later in life. Although an artist previously, he feels his disability of sight loss has given him his true artistic vision. He says being a sculptor allows him to unfold his wings and take flight. In this flight he is able to connect with the life force energy of Mother Earth, her peoples' emotions and feelings, and God the Creator. His sculptures then become living, breathing representations of his winged journeys and connect the viewer to the life force energy of the Universe.

**Please join us for the artist's reception on Wednesday, March 23, 2011 5:30-7:00 p.m. at Fresh A.I.R. Gallery. The exhibition will run through April 29. The reception is free and open to the public. Gallery hours are Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Fresh A.I.R. Gallery is located at 131 N. High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215.**

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Chappelle considers his blindness to be his greatest blessing in life. Through his limited physical vision he has learned to see in other ways; ways that allow him to understand humankind and the pain people continuously endure physically, mentally, and emotionally. He has also explored his inner being and is grateful for the opportunities of self-growth and awareness he has experienced. Through all of his adversity he has blessings of a greater magnitude.

Fresh A.I.R. Gallery's mission is to exhibit the works of these individuals affected by mental illness and/or substance abuse disorders. Through art, we educate the community and work to break down the stigma of mental illness by bringing focus to the artistic vision.

Fresh A.I.R. Gallery is operated by Southeast Inc. Southeast Inc. is a comprehensive provider of mental health, chemical dependency, physical healthcare and homeless services that has been serving Columbus since 1978 and five surrounding counties. Southeast's telephone number is (614) 225-0980 or Fax (614) 225-0986 or visit <http://www.southeastinc.com/freshair>

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