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PRESS RELEASE #3

## **Whirled Peace and Potluck for Autumn Relief at Endangered Planet Gallery**

LAGUNA BEACH, CA - Over the weekend of September 21, Endangered Planet Gallery and Endangered Planet Foundation invite you to participate in two special activities. The first, entitled "Pinwheels for Peace," celebrates the International Day of Peace Friday, September 21. The second event is Endangered Planet's third annual Autumnal Equinox pot luck celebration on Sunday, September 23.

The Pinwheels for Peace project was started in 2005 by two art teachers in Florida who were looking for a way to help their students express their feelings about the things going on in their lives and in the world around them. The project is non-political, asserting a simple definition of peace - a state of calm and serenity in the absence of violence and freedom from conflict among people or groups of people. Since its inception, the Pinwheels project has spread around the world. Last year over one million pinwheels were spinning in recognition of the goals of the project. This year, Endangered Planet is coordinating the project locally here in Laguna Beach. You are invited to participate.

Endangered Planet is working with art instructors and others and welcomes student leaders and scouts to coordinate schools, senior centers, community and art venues and public and private organizations to create pinwheels of all shapes and sizes. Many pinwheels are already being made. Participants can draw or write their thoughts about "war and peace/ tolerance/ living in harmony with others" on one side. On the other side, they can draw, paint, collage, etc. an artistic expression of peace. They will assemble these pinwheels on or before Friday, September 21, the International Day of Peace, and then "plant" their pinwheels in the grassy, sandy area on Main Beach as a four-hour public art exhibit/installation. The spinning of the pinwheels in the wind of our own beach will spread the thoughts and feelings about peace throughout our city, the country and the world.

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For more information, go to [www.endangeredplanet.org](http://www.endangeredplanet.org). Please download a template (available on-line) and create your own pinwheel for peace. Feel free to make copies of the template and send it to friends. Bring your completed pinwheel to Main Beach on Friday, September 21, between the hours of 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and join with all the other Laguna Beach pinwheelers! If you cannot attend, you can make your pinwheel and deliver it any day to Endangered Planet Gallery prior to noon, the day of the event, Friday, September 21. Supplies are now available at Endangered Planet Gallery.

On Sunday, September 23, Endangered Planet will celebrate the Autumnal Equinox. The calendar year is divided into four different parts. The sun shines longest on the Summer Solstice (June), shortest on the Winter Solstice (December). The two corresponding days when the hours of night and day are equal are called the Equinoxes. The Spring Equinox occurs in March, the Fall or Autumnal Equinox occurs in September, this year on September 23.

Join Endangered Planet Gallery for its third annual Autumnal Equinox pot luck gathering (bring a dish for three friends) on Sunday, September 23, from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Entertainment will include a tour through the Art Miles Mural Project currently on exhibit at Endangered Planet Gallery, Middle-Eastern World Fusion Music with acoustic guitar and drums performed by Edwin Masters, Kenneth "Edword" Needham - drums, David Lewis - drums, percussion, Patty Rangel presenting Wings of Isis with 3D glasses (for the full aura effect) and viewing of the UN interactive environmental CDs. Murals will be painted through the afternoon by Casey James from Green Society. Please bring a dish for three friends to this community event.

Endangered Planet Gallery and Foundation are located at 384 Forest Ave., #13, in the Lumberyard Mall • Telephone (949) 497-5690 for information, or go to [endangeredplanet.org](http://endangeredplanet.org). The gallery is open Monday - Saturday, 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

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