

**First Friday Noontime Forum Series**  
**“Continuing the Growth and Prosperity of Downtown Lancaster”**

**Highlights – Part V I**

**Part VI – May 2006**

- ❖ There has been an explosion of art/design/creative businesses in the downtown
- ❖ Our community has a rich history of artists and art lovers
- ❖ The artistic soul of the downtown helps define what makes us special
- ❖ The overwhelming success of First Fridays is art driven
- ❖ There are 850 art students downtown every day adding excitement, talent and revenue
- ❖ The artists and gallery owners are risk takers who need our support and encouragement
- ❖ The concentration and quality of art venues is bringing people downtown