



Michael Weidrich

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Biography – Michael Weidrich

Michael Weidrich is the Executive Director of the Lark Street Business Improvement District, Albany's "Arts District". As a board member of the Upstate Artists Guild, Michael founded and coordinates Albany's 1st Friday monthly arts celebration. Michael also sits on the boards of the Albany County Convention & Visitors Bureau, the Capital District Gay & Lesbian Community Council, and The Stakeholders Inc. Michael was named one of 2009's 40 Under 40 Business People of the Year by the Business Review, received awards for 1st Friday from the Albany Country Convention & Visitors Bureau and the Lark Street Business Improvement District and was also named volunteer of 2007 by the Capital District Gay & Lesbian Community Council.

Michael will complete a Masters in Business Administration from the College of Saint Rose with Advanced Certificates in Not-for-Profit Management in 2010. He also holds an Advanced Certificate in Educational Technology from St. Rose and a Bachelors in Fine Arts from Syracuse University. Michael has been a producing artist for over 25 years ranging from painting and sculpture through to his current medium of digital art. His artistic vision is a fusion of ancient designs and modern technology. Through years of studying mythology, world religions and eastern philosophy, Michael infuses his artwork with a sense of spirituality and transcendence.