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Prismatic Imaging Exhibit by Butch Wandy at The Children's Museum

West Hartford, CT (April 11, 2007)...The Children's Museum (formerly Science Center of Connecticut) is proud to host award-winning sculptor Butch Wandy's work in conjunction with their current exhibit *Color Play: The Art and Science of Color and Light*. The included artwork showcases a twelve year overview of Wandy's unique visual creations. Connecticut born and based, Wandy is the inventor and the only artist in the world with access to a technique he calls *Prismatic Imaging*, the net result of more than 30 years of research and experimentation.

Wandy's art has received widespread critical acclaim and has been shown in such prestigious venues as Art of the Northeast at the Silvermine Gallery in New Canaan, CT and the International Art Expo at the Javits Convention Center in New York City. Ernst Lurker (Playart.org) has described the artist's work as "a major breakthrough that is almost certain to break open the world of abstract photography."

All the early works on display are Cibachromes, a process no longer readily available. Current works are Chromira Prints on Fuji archival paper executed exclusively for the artist. Included in the exhibit are a piece entitled *Collateral Damage* which is being reissued and expanded, and *Ghostdance*, which is a tribute to the Lakota Sioux.

Wandy is a member of The Connecticut Academy of Fine Arts, The West Hartford Art League, The New Britain Museum of American Art, and a graduate of the University of Connecticut. He maintains an active studio in East Hartford, CT. Visitors are welcome by appointment at 860-289-1664.

Wandy's exhibit is on display at The Children's Museum in the Mezzanine Gallery through June 17, in combination with *Color Play: The Art and Science of Color and Light*, an exhibit aimed at young children under the age of twelve. The traveling exhibition invites children to play with colors through whole-body experiences, hands-on interactives and opportunities for fantasy play. *Color Play* uses black lights, white lights, yellow lights, neon swirls, ultraviolet light, spotlights, rainbows, four-color printing, holographic refraction and more to create vivid demonstrations of the principles of science and color.

The Children's Museum's regular schedule is Tuesday through Saturday, 10 am to 5 pm, Sunday noon to 5 pm. The museum is open Mondays on holidays and school vacation weeks.

The Children's Museum is committed to igniting the curiosity of young people through science and nature. In addition to the museum and the Gengras Planetarium, the organization includes the United Technologies Wildlife Sanctuary, Roaring Brook Nature Center in Canton, and The Children's Museum Preschool, one of the oldest preschools in the country. The Children's Museum serves close to 200,000 people annually, and is the fifth oldest children's museum in the country, and Connecticut's largest museum. Located at 950 Trout Brook Drive in West Hartford, the museum is accessible from I-84

Exit 43 and offers free parking. For more information, visit the website at www.TheChildrensMuseumCT.org .

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