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**All Aboard! Traveling Art Museum is Heading West in 2006
Invite Artrain USA to Your Town**

Ann Arbor, MI Artrain USA, the art exhibition housed on train cars, is heading West in 2006 to visit communities in the Pacific Northwest, West Coast and the Western States and is available for bookings from February to November 2006. Artrain USA is an art and community building program that has been hosted by arts organizations, cities, museums, chambers of commerce, and service organizations that want to build community capacities while bringing exceptional art programs to their communities.

In order to have Artrain USA visit, local communities should have the following:

- A desire to host the Artrain
- 450' of track to park a train on
- An organization to serve as the "host"

The anticipated tour states include:

- Arizona
- California
- Colorado
- Idaho
- Montana
- Nevada
- New Mexico
- Oregon
- Texas
- Utah
- Washington
- Wyoming

Artrain USA is "America's Hometown Art Museum." A nonprofit organization, Artrain is an art museum housed in vintage rail cars that travels via the nation's railroads.

More than 3 million people have visited Artrain USA during 800 community visits across 45 states. Founded in Michigan in 1971 by the Michigan Council for the Arts Artrain USA's national headquarters are in Ann Arbor, MI.

Native Views is a contemporary Native American art exhibition comprised of 71 artworks by 54 Native American artists. It explores the influence of popular culture and the many commonalities shared by all Americans. Visitors discover the richness, complexity and breadth of contemporary Native American art while examining varying perspectives on society. *Native Views* is touring America – coast to coast – from April 2004 through December 2007.

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