

# NEWS

## Bethel Performing Arts Project

Who We Are....  
...What We Can Do... **When A Community Finds Its Voice**

Bethel Performing Arts Project will host its first community meeting on March 15th from 4PM - 7PM at The Funky Red Barn Summer St., Bethel. All area performing artists (musicians, actors, dancers) as well as supporting artists and crafts people (writers, set builders, sound and lighting) are encouraged to attend. Area businesses, churches, and organizations are also urged to attend this important informational and organizational meeting.

### The Agenda:

- \* Information on our Mission
- \* Areas of Participation
- \* Membership Drive
  - \* Events Planning for 2009
  - \* Organization & The Future

For More Information and RSVP  
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### Our Mission

The Bethel Performing Arts Project will seek to provide affordable entertainment to the community by bringing performing artists together to partner with area businesses and associations. BPAP encourages the participation of persons of all ages in its productions with emphasis on original projects conceived, designed and produced by local residents.

### Who Are We?

We are a community of performing artists and individuals with interests and talents which enhance the performing arts. We are writers, actors, dancers, and musicians. We are carpenters, graphic artists, and sound engineers. We are the volunteers who are the backbone of a community arts experience.

We are also a community of business people, educators, non-profit groups, churches, and arts patrons who recognize the value of participating in projects that are rewarding and sustainable.

Bethel is literally at a crossroads. We are between an era of a manufacturing based economy and the uncertain future of a tourist-based economy. Our future growth and prosperity will take the shared efforts of all of us. The creative drive of our local artists in partnership with our businesses and organizations will help insure our beautiful downtown continues to thrive and attract visitors from around the world.

We believe the Bethel Performing Arts Project can help transform our downtown from a place where one needs to go; to pay their taxes, buy their food, or get their mail.... to a place where people will want to be.

We visualize storytellers in stores, musicians on the streets and in our churches, theater in our inns and schools, and new commerce traffic once again crossing the railroad tracks.

It is our mission to sustain and grow a vibrant performing arts community in a thriving and prosperous town. We thank you for your support and your involvement. It is your support which truly enhances our community.