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Hi Cheryl,

As President of "Dr. Wilderness, Inc." it's my great pleasure to welcome you and "The Stardust Arts" into our new partnership, the purpose of which is to bring art and education to the children of California.

Dr. Wilderness Inc. has served as a 501 (c) 3 nonprofit corporation for fifteen years, and in that time we've reached well over one million youngsters with our message of conservation and caring for planet Earth and for each other. Performing arts has served as a powerful incentive to learning.

We believe that an appreciation and application of fine art in its many forms brings great opportunity and purpose to children world-wide, and your ability to inspire youngsters is both a welcomed and complimentary addition to our mutual mission.

It has been a pleasure to work with you firsthand, to see your dedication and expertise, and to be inspired by your ability and passion to give life to art, and art to children.

We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Khevin Barnes

Khevin Barnes, President



THE KENNETH A. PICERNE FOUNDATION

September 9, 2010

Re: Cheryl Ehlers and Stardust Arts

To Whom It May Concern:

I am pleased to write this recommendation for Cheryl Ehlers who created Stardust Arts, a visual art program created for youth in North County San Diego. I have observed Cheryl pursue this project for just over one year in my role as Executive Director of the Kenneth A. Picerne Foundation. The Foundation's mission is to develop *innovative* nonprofit programs that promote human development, and provide unique opportunities for individuals to fulfill their potential. The Foundation awarded Cheryl a \$12,000 Artist Outreach Grant and paid materials costs to help her launch her exciting visual arts program.

Cheryl is an accomplished artist who uses her creative talent, limitless energy and outstanding organizational skills very effectively with people and organizations. She developed and implemented an after school art program for eight schools in the Oceanside School District and at the Carlsbad Boys and Girls Club. In addition, Cheryl coordinated several large events designed to showcase student art for the Oceanside School District, the City of Oceanside, and Carlsbad Art in the Village. Finally, she developed a website for the program that highlights student work and her Stardust Arts program. Cheryl served several hundred youth in her programs during the year. All had few, if any, opportunities to pursue their own talent as artists – and engage in meaningful after school activities without Cheryl's program.

The success of Cheryl's Stardust Arts Program is not an accident. She works tirelessly, communicates well, and demonstrates a special ability to encourage others to get involved. For example, Cheryl set up a meeting with all eight Principals in the Oceanside School District to work out details for this project. She was able to secure help from caterers, musicians, private businesses, parents, teachers, the media and the Kenneth A. Picerne Foundation to support Stardust fine arts events and her program. The Mayor of Oceanside, Arts Commission Members, School Board Members, School Principals, Teachers, Parents, and Students attended Stardust events. Finally, teachers were impressed with her effectiveness as a teacher and artist. Her tremendous ability as a teaching artist is demonstrated in many examples of visual art created by her students of all ages.

Cheryl communicates proactively with the Kenneth A. Picerne Foundation – promoting awareness and action related to the successes, challenges, and administrative details of her program. Cheryl is a pleasure to work with. I encourage you to support Cheryl Ehlers' Stardust Arts Program. Please contact me at 949-267-1517 if you would like to discuss her qualifications further.

Sincerely,

Victor Nelson, MSW, MBA
Executive Director, Kenneth A. Picerne Foundation



Mission Elementary School

Todd McAteer, Principal

November 12, 2009

Cheryl Ehlers
Stardust
2070 Gayle Way
Carlsbad, CA 92008

Dear Cheryl,

Please accept our sincere thanks and gratitude for providing our students a wonderful opportunity to create and use their artistic talents. Your Stardust Afterschool Art Program and art lessons enabled us to offer the students a quality art class. We observed just how much the students enjoyed their art class and lessons.

Thank you also for the beautiful artworks that the students created for the school. You can be sure that we will proudly display our students' art work for all the Mission students, staff, and parents to enjoy!

Sincerely,

Todd McAteer,
Principal