

CLARE

GALLERY

at the Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry

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“Boundless Inspiration” at Clare Gallery

Hartford — The Clare Gallery is pleased to present *Many Are the One: Inspirational Art and Illustration by Sue Ramá*. Ms. Ramá is an artist living in South Windsor, CT who draws her creative energy from “the child and the Light.” Ms. Ramá is the first recipient of the *Tomie dePaola Award* for illustration from the Society of Children’s Book Writers and Illustrators and an *ALA Notable Award*. The exhibition is free and open to the public and extends from February 14 to March 23, 2008.

A reception will be held on February 28th from 5 to 7 p.m., at which time Ms. Ramá will make a presentation exploring the origins and themes of her art. Her lecture will begin at 6 p.m. All are welcome to the reception and lecture.

Experiencing the source of inspiration as a universal energy without limit, Ms. Ramá has found her personal spiritual path winding through diverse religious traditions. Working primarily in watercolors, she has illustrated a prayer book for Christian children, a board book about the Jewish Sabbath, and a Hindu scripture, among many other works.

The Clare Gallery primarily features exhibitions that emphasize world religions or interfaith themes, as well as social justice themes, on either a global or local level. The Gallery is housed in the Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry at 285 Church Street. The Center is part of St. Patrick – St. Anthony Church, a vibrant and active downtown faith community.

The Clare Gallery’s hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays; 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Fridays; Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; and Sundays from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The Gallery and all related events are free and open to the public. Free parking is available directly across from the church, and the facility is handicapped accessible. More information may be found on the church’s website: www.stpatrick-stanthony.org.