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"The Antioch Fine Arts Foundation was established in 2001 to develop and encourage an appreciation and appetite for the fine arts. This goal has been accomplished through art classes, art workshops, exhibits in the Fine Arts Galleries, and the displaying of artist works in local business locations. Activities such as Art Crawl, Studio Tour, Art on the Lawn, and annual Art Auction and Wine Tasting are some of the very obvious activities the Foundation sponsors to achieve this fostering of art appreciation and arts education.

The Antioch Fine Arts Foundation has always supported any movement that fosters an appreciation for the visual and performing arts.

Mr. Downes has done extensive work and research into local, regional, and national Native American culture. This love of Native American culture along with his wonderful artistic paintings and sculptures would make and installation created by him most appropriate. Mr. Downes is a life long resident of the Great Lakes area. Much of his research has confirmed the active existence of local Native Americans in our area. His extensive research into Trail Marker Trees is well documented and soon to be in published form. He is a nationally respected historian and artist with many awards to his credit."

Roger Schule

Antioch Fine Arts Foundation, President 2001-2009, current Vice President