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Local artist joins with international gathering to focus on waste

Hudson Valley artist Elisa Pritzker has been invited to represent the United States in an international gathering of artists working an environmental and artistic project that coincides with the 2004 Olympic Games in Greece. The project — The Pyramids of Naxos — asks artists to consider concepts of recycling the daily waste of an area.

Artists will be working as will their counterparts from around the world, in a range of media including video, sculpture, painting and performance. Pritzker will be joined by artists from China, Germany, Sweden, Japan, Lithuania, Iceland, Chile, Australia, South Africa and Britain.

All the artists involved in this project will be invited to participate in the International Art Symposium held during the last weeks of the "pyramid activities" on Naxos in late August 2004. In this symposium they will dem-

onstrate - together with local artists - multiple art activities covering the theme "The Pyramids of Naxos."

"We hope to make people aware of an existing problem like the worldwide unsolved questions of open waste deposits and to open a discussion about a necessary solution," according to a press release from the organization sponsoring the program.

Pritzker writes: "We combine our activities with the hope that by this a discussion of experts will be started in order to find possible solutions for the local or regional or global waste questions. The language we have chosen to speak with in order to start such a discussion is the language of modern arts."

An exhibition of the works of all the participating artists will be held at the newly built town hall in Naxos.

For more information contact Pritzker at (845) 691-5506 or visit www.pritzkerstudio.com.



Artist Elisa Pritzker