



AN INTRODUCTION

Thomas Kinkadee art is really coming home as real estate developer, HST Group, LLC, embarks on its plan to build five custom homes, each inspired by a painting by Thomas Kinkadee, the world-renowned artist known as the "Painter of Light™."

This new community, called "The Gates of Coeur d'Alene," will transform Thomas Kinkadee paintings into a master-planned neighborhood that evokes the nostalgic images of Thomas Kinkadee artwork in a setting of privacy and tranquility overlooking the world famous Lake Coeur d'Alene, located in northern Idaho.

"The creation of the Thomas Kinkadee - Masterpiece Homes brand provides the opportunity to 'step into the canvas' of the Kinkadee lifestyle in a new and unique way," says Steve Torres, Director of Construction for HST Group.

The custom homes will replicate the design and look of actual Thomas Kinkadee paintings. The paintings that have inspired the home designs are: "Beyond Autumn Gate," "Blessings of Spring," "Gardens Beyond Spring Gate," "Winsor Manor," and "Lamplight Manor."

"This project is for anyone who has ever wished they could reside in a Thomas Kinkadee painting, walk down a dappled lane, and step through the front door," says Rann Haight, Director of Architectural Design for HST Group. "HST has created the opportunity to walk through that door and live in a world inspired by the artistry of Thomas Kinkadee."

HST shares in the Thomas Kinkadee focus of the importance of the home, and has the proven ability to produce homes of exceptional quality. This venture is anticipated to be the first step in a long term relationship between The Thomas Kinkadee Company and the HST team.

ABOUT THE ARTIST

Thomas Kinkadee is America's most collected living artist. Coming from a modest background, Kinkadee emphasizes simple pleasures and inspirational messages through his paintings. As a devout Christian, Kinkadee uses his gift as a vehicle to communicate and spread inherent life-affirming values.

A devoted husband and doting father to their four daughters, Kinkadee strives to lead a balanced life, committed to family values. Kinkadee creatively fills his paintings with "love notes" by hiding the letter "N" in his paintings as tribute to his wife, Nanette. His daughters also find their own messages of love from their father as their names

and images often appear in many of his paintings.

Thomas Kinkade is involved in several collaborations, including a partnership with one of the most charitable organizations in the United States, The Salvation Army. Two special charity prints were created for The Salvation Army, The Season of Giving and The Light of Freedom. Proceeds were donated to The Salvation Army's General Fund and to help aid those in New York, Pennsylvania, and Washington D.C. More than \$1.5 million has been donated as a result of this affiliation.

The Thomas Kinkade Foundation serves and supports non-profit organizations focusing on children, humanitarian relief, and the arts. Kinkade's involvement in such organizations, along with his appearances on the award winning news broadcast, 60 Minutes, as well as Good Morning America, is testimony to the fact that his artwork is touching the hearts of millions worldwide. Most recently, Thomas Kinkade was chosen as a National Spokesman for the Make-A-Wish Foundation and has raised over \$150,000 for the organization.

Kinkade credits the Lord for both the ability and the inspiration to create his paintings. His goal as an artist is to touch people of all faiths, to bring peace, and joy into their lives through the images he creates. The letters he receives every day testify to the fact that he is achieving this goal. (www.thomaskinkade.com)

ABOUT HST GROUP, LLC

The HST Group, LLC is comprised of three individuals who bring together the three basic, yet essential, elements of a development team: (1) Design and Planning, (2) Marketing and Finance, (3) Construction Management. All are successful in their individual endeavors, yet together create a true TEAM that can professionally develop this and other projects with a unique vision.

Rann Haight is a licensed architect in the states of California and Idaho. His range of expertise includes multiple experiences in large technically complex facilities as well as many outstanding residential projects. Rann's residential architectural accomplishments are varied and impressive. His designs include custom homes in Idaho, Montana, California, Nevada, Washington, Wyoming, Hawaii, British Columbia, and Mexico. He has become the principle on-site designer in the Rocky Mountain region for Tulikivi Masonry Heaters of Finland (www.warmstone.com). They rely on him for instruction internationally, by providing marketing artwork and technical information. He has designed many prestigious homes since arriving in Coeur d'Alene. He is currently the architect and helping in the fund-raising process for the new Coeur d'Alene Chamber of Commerce and Visitor Center. Other commercial projects include the California Public Employees Retirement Fund Headquarters and the ARCO Arena, in Sacramento, California.

Rann received his Associate of Science Degree in Architecture (1973) from Cosumnes River College, Sacramento, California, and his Bachelor of Fine Arts in Industrial Design (1975) from the California Institute of the Arts, Valencia, California. He is widely recognized as a fine artist in his own right.

Roger Stewart has maintained a long history of project development and construction throughout the Northwest. Roger's experience and education encompasses many aspects of the real estate industry including, marketing, finance,

property management, and general construction. He has supervised the development and marketing of many residential, commercial, condominium projects in and around the Coeur d'Alene area. Roger is a licensed real estate broker and mortgage broker.

Roger is a graduate of Lewis-Clark State College, with a B.S. degree in Business Administration & Humanities.

Steve Torres is responsible for HST's activities in construction and field operations. In 1999, Steve formed the Torres Group, a full service Construction Management firm, specializing in custom residential and commercial building. He has served as Director of Marketing for the Western region Microelectronics division of ADP Marshall, a \$1 billion dollar division of Fluor Corporation. He also served as Senior Project Manager for Microelectronic Projects where he was responsible for leading the company in the microelectronics, pharmaceutical and biotechnology markets.

Steve is a graduate of California State University- Fresno. He holds certification in Welding Technology from the American Welding Society, and has been a certified construction inspector through the International Construction Building Organization.

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Overview

The Gates of Coeur d'Alene is comprised of 22± acres and is located four miles east of the City of Coeur d'Alene, on Yellowstone Trail Road. The prime amenities of this property are: it's proximity to town and the spectacular 180° views of Wolf Lodge Bay on Lake Coeur d'Alene.

The design includes five individual lots situated to maximize the view and privacy of each finished home. The homesite lots will be of a unique circular design. These round lots have been located with special care to provide outstanding views of Lake Coeur d'Alene, but more importantly the home sites are intended to maximize Privacy of the dwellings from each other.

The circular lot design will deter the use of the traditional "fenced in" approach to community subdivision design and will promote the conservation design approach to maintain the natural composition of the development. The circular lots have been located with special care to provide good views of Lake Coeur d'Alene but more importantly the home sites are intended to maximize privacy of the dwellings from each other. The design team has analyzed the site for almost two years and determined that the lots indicated are the best building sites. Per the Conservation Design requirements put into place on the property, the common area will be dedicated by HST to a conservation easement which will ensure the remaining land within the Gates will be kept in a natural state, allowing the free movement of wildlife and maintaining as much natural vegetation as possible.

The entrance will include an electronic gate system for security/ privacy, along with a series of "Carriage Houses" that will provide additional storage and auxiliary-use space for the home-owners. The overall look will be that of a small village. Other than the five subject lots, all other land and amenities shall become a part of the "common areas" of the project.

HST has created a design concept for luxury homes that incorporates the likeness of the "Gate" and "Estate" series of paintings by renowned artist Thomas Kinkade.

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IVYCREST MANOR

"BEYOND AUTUMN GATE"

*Some years ago, in my travels through England, I found a wonderful old stone gate—mysterious and inviting—that inspired my celebrated painting, **Autumn Gate**. Nanette and I returned to England and made a pilgrimage to that ancient gate in order to discover what lay beyond—the stately, ivy draped stone manor house I celebrate in **Beyond Autumn Gate**.*

— Thomas Kinkadee

HST is proud to introduce the first in the "Gates of Coeur d'Alene" collection of Thomas Kinkadee – Masterpiece Homes. Ivycrest Manor is the home depicted in Thom's *Beyond Autumn Gate* painting. Architect Rann Haight has brought to life the many features of this fine estate.

Rann's challenge is to marry the fantasy and romance famously portrayed by Thomas Kinkadee, with the magnificent vistas of Lake Coeur d'Alene as a backdrop.

This is accomplished by maintaining the intimate courtyard depicted in the painting. Step into the canvas and be swept away by panoramic water views as framed by the southern windows.

As found in many old English estates, Rann has incorporated hardwood floors and traditional check-pane windows, cozy fireplace inglenooks with window seats, and an outdoor fireplace with covered sitting areas.

Move to the sleeping suites via the spiral staircase within the turret. The upper suites have all the ambiance of a Kinkadee inspired painting, including attic ceilings and dormers. Visitors can view down from the promenade to diners in the great hall, and beyond to the lake.

This 6,500 +/- square foot estate includes all the modern comforts found in the finest estate homes, including an elevator, separate carriage house and attached workshop within the confines of the privacy gate. There is also a guest house, bonus room for theatre seating or entertaining, a gourmet kitchen with sunrise breakfast seating, four-car garage, and plenty of art niches and surprise wall angles - - plenty of room for your Thomas Kinkadee Collectors' art.