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Salisbury's newest gallery
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SALISBURY -- A new gallery has opened in Salisbury, and the owner, an artist herself, hopes it will bring together artists of all types under the roof downtown.

Inspire Galleria of Possibilities is opening at 213 W. Main St., Suite 108 in Salisbury.

Diane "Diantha" Mitchell says she had wanted to open the gallery for a long time, and finally the time was right.

"I think Salisbury is on the verge of a renaissance," Mitchell said. "The art community is already here, but we need more places for people to go."

Mitchell says she is reaching out to area schools such as the University of Maryland Eastern Shore, Salisbury University, Wor-Wic Community College and Sojourner Douglass for artist contributions. She wants a wide range of contributors.

"I'm looking for diversity," she said. "You never know, there could be a farmer out there who is painting. ... Some people are just waiting to be asked."

The gallery features artists who are novices as well as those who are longtime professionals. Artists are from Delmarva, but also from Washington, D.C., Georgia and elsewhere.

Mitchell also doesn't want the gallery to limit itself to fine arts.

"I have space here for performances -- I want to include performing arts, too," she said.

Mitchell plans to hold workshops and forums for artists and writers in the new gallery.

"It will be a place where they can discuss their craft," Mitchell said.

Mitchell says she is looking for artists to add their work to the gallery. Contact her at 410-742-6152 or e-mail inspiregalleria@verizon.net for more information.