
BOATS

By John Champion and T. J. Mabrey

Tall, short, thin, squat, black, blue, red, white, they bear our friends to us, animals, and wine. Their markets and cafes give us a home. Riding them slowly or so swiftly up bright rivers or across the plangent oceans makes us laugh and cry. O how much more than poor outsiders or blind and extravagant kings cross these seven seas! The souls of the living and the dead float their precious cargoes carrying, yes, the past and the future in their hulls, but always, yes, and forever the now, our constant vessel bearing us over more than water, rolling the land with its prairie schooners, or sleighing the drifting currents of ice and snow ushered by the riveting sound and pull of a unison of dogs. Through space itself the Earth is our thrill. It is the ship inspiring the *songs that fill our sails*

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**The poem, BOATS,
represents the essence of**

THE BOAT SHOW A Sculpture Exhibition of **Vehicles, Vessels and Viewpoints**

***Join LAFTA Board Members and
Sculptor T.J. Mabrey
for the opening of the exhibit
August 25, 2007, 6 PM
405 Pecan Street, Lampasas, TX 76550***

Refreshments will be served.

The exhibit will continue through September 22, 2007.
There is a story in each of the sculptures. What do you see? Use papers and pens provided to record your story, poem or image, and place them in the STORY BOAT. Your cargo will be of use by someone, somewhere, someday. The artist will be present
T-Th, 11 - 6, F-S, 11 - 7

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