## KISS icon's art on display

## PAUL STANLEY

- Wentworth Gallery in Tysons Galleria
- 6-9 p.m., Sept. 22
- Admission is free but RSVPs are recommended
- For more information, visit www. wentworthgallery.com

## Paul Stanley will be bringing his artwork to Tysons

BY KEITH LORIA SPECIAL TO THE FAIRFAX COUNTY TIMES

Paul Stanley is known all over the world as being one of the most electrifying frontmen of all time, helping KISS to dozens of top hits and more than 100 million records sold.

But the charismatic Stanley has layers that go deep beyond the music. He's also known in the art world for his paintings and values. That aspect of his life is just as important as what he's accomplished with KISS.

"My life is just a continuous sequence of expression, whether it's theater, art or music," the rock n' roll icon said. "If you don't allow me to keep the flow, you shut the faucet and I can't have that. Creativity is something that is constant in my life."

In fact, Stanley's artistic talent has been on display in many of the KISS album designs through the years, as well as in the band's apparel and on the performance stage.

"I believe that when we do things that please ourselves, we inspire other people," Stanley said. "The feeling of putting a brush on the canvas is calming. Anytime you can express yourself, you are going to find it ultimately calming."

On Sept. 22, the Starchild will be displaying his art at the Wentworth Gallery in Tysons Galleria. A day earlier, Stanley and his art will be at the Wentworth Gallery in Westfield Montgomery Mall. It's just part of a longer tour he has planned, visiting galleries around the country during his downtime from the band.



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Paul Stanley inspires people with his art as much as he does with his music.