2004 Press Release "HGTV" filmed artist/poet, Cara.

at her studio and home in a 1910 Carnegie Library in Barnesville, Ga

There are people of whom it is said "they live Eccentric." Maybe. We would rather call it imaginative, creative and unique. Albatrosses- hardly. HGTV introduced Carol Wubbena, an artist and poet who found a unique place for her studio and home in a gem of an historical building; a 1910 Carnegie Library. The real twist comes with the distinctive and fun decor in her living area.



Jean Grenda, NAHB Producer, her film crew and talented videographer. Peter Kulsziski. spent five days delving into the curiosities of living and working in a 1910 library. They filmed artist/poet, Carol "Cara," Wubbena who turned this beautiful Georgian Revival building into a studio, home and more. Jean tantalizes her viewers with the creative twists that the artist uses to make the building her own. Cara is a staunch defender of historic and architectural aspects of old structures. The main floor, therefore, is beautifully restored to its original grandeur. When it came to decorating her living quarters, salvage turns classic, modern convenience does not hinder charm, and the unexpected brings delight.

A salon type atmosphere permeates the artist's studio where her paintings and prints fit into bookcases and a host of art events occur. Cara gives cultural art performances; her latest is entitled <u>"Folded Wings, A Journey of the Spirit."</u> The event highlights a fourteen foot painting with lights, poetry and musical composition by her architect and composer son, James Wubbena. The event was filmed for the program.

Footage of the small historical town provides a backdrop for Cara's palladium windowed building. Long time residents of Barnesville were interviewed to add to the historical abstract of the library. The artist's sculpture garden was also filmed. It is obvious why public and private groups from throughout Georgia trek to this small town south of Atlanta for a cultural experience in the old Carnegie Library.