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CherryArts Festival at Stanley Brings Nationally Juried Artists to Stanley Marketplace

DENVER – CherryArts Festival at Stanley, the all-new national art, local flavor and creative living event features 75 nationally juried artists, including 35 Colorado-based artists. The Festival takes place at the yet-to-be-opened Stanley Marketplace on October 24 and 25 with a ticketed Grand Tasting event on October 23.

Complementing Stanley Marketplace’s unique, urban and innovative persona, the exhibiting artists, who were selected through a blind-jury process, will showcase works in 13 media categories. A list of artists by media category can be found here <http://bit.ly/1KNmV6z>.

“Patrons can expect a high-quality show representing art and artists from all over the country,” said Chris Stevens, CherryArts president and CEO. “Through this experience, we hope to create access to art for the Aurora and Stapleton communities and encourage art buying.”

Visitors also are invited to experience the interactive artwork of Boulder-based and internationally renowned artist, Jen Lewin. The sculptor, who integrates light, sound and motion into her pieces, will feature Chandelier Harp at CherryArts Festival at Stanley. The piece is an interactive instrument played by passing a hand, arm, leg or body through the low voltage lasers that shine to the ground.

In addition to viewing and purchasing art, visitors will enjoy live entertainment, children’s activities, home design vignettes by Colorado Homes & Lifestyles and culinary demonstrations at the Colorado Homes & Lifestyles Kitchen presented by Specialty Appliance Dacor.

CherryArts Festival at Stanley is free to the public on October 24 and 25, with a special Opening Night Grand Tasting ticketed event on Friday, October 23.

The Opening Night Grand Tasting will feature an exclusive first look at Stanley Marketplace with a grand tasting of future Stanley Marketplace restaurants and vendors, national juried visual artists, and special entertainment and programming. Tickets to the Opening Night Grand Tasting can be purchased at <http://cherryartsstanley.org/buy-tickets-grand-tasting/>.

About CherryArts Festival at Stanley

The 2015 CherryArts Festival at Stanley is sponsored in association with Xfinity, Odell Brewing Company, Stranahan’s Colorado Whiskey, William Hill Estate Winery, CBS4, *Colorado Homes & Lifestyles*, *Mountain Living*, Alice 105.9, 99.5 the Mountain, *OUT FRONT*, Stanley Marketplace and *Westword*. Supporting Sponsors include Blake Communications, Finished Basement Company and Liquor Limo. A special thanks to The City of Aurora, The Scientific & Cultural Facilities District and Visit Aurora.

About Stanley Marketplace

Opening in early 2016, Stanley is no ordinary marketplace. Located at the intersection of the Stapleton and Aurora neighborhoods just east of Denver, Stanley Marketplace is a community of like-minded businesses and people who believe in doing things differently: sustainably, creatively, and with more than the bottom line in mind. The more than 22-acre, 100,000 sq. ft. indoor/outdoor space was once Stanley Aviation headquarters, where airplane ejector seats were engineered and manufactured; now it is an adaptive reuse community hub, home to a park, beer hall and

more. Today, the same innovative spirit that once filled this building has been harnessed to offer community members an urban marketplace featuring goods and services from local and independent businesses, as well as a robust philanthropic and community outreach program, including Charity of the Month and First Jobs programs. For more information, visit www.stanleymarketplace.com.