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Basic Details:

- Who: Everyone interested in the Arts
- What: Get a Taste For Art
- When: February 7th, 2009 (7-9pm)
- Where: Santa Rosa County Auditorium- 4530 Jimmy's Way,
in Milton (Avalon & Hwy 90)
- Why: Annual Fund Raiser to grow the support for Arts and Culture!

“Get a Taste for Art”

MILTON – The Santa Rosa Arts and Culture Foundation, Inc. (SRACF) in one of its missions to promote art and culture is having its 4th annual fundraiser deliciously known as “Get A Taste For Art” from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7th at the County Auditorium, 4530 Jimmy's Way, in Milton. A deductible gift of \$25 or more gains attendees entry to this optional black tie/semi-formal event. Attendees will have their senses titillated with decadent sampling of art, music, culture and exquisitely tasty morsels of chocolate creations and gourmet hors-d'oeuvres that will appease the finest of palates and a variety of diets. **Tickets will be available at** Tops Appliance, Copper Possum, Old Post Office Antiques, Shabby Schex, Chamber of Commerce-Milton, Dragonfly Gallery and at the auditorium door on the night of the event.

The event will feature some of the best artists in Santa Rosa County. Attendees will get a “taste” of art in multiple disciplines of visual, aural and performing arts. Displays of culinary masterpieces, original works of art, dance presentation, theatrical performances and instrumentals will fill the evening with enjoyment and awe. The program is as diverse as the varying disciplines of art that we all enjoy. It's a once in a year “dress-up” opportunity to attend this “sampling” of the arts. A silent auction of “originals” or other donated items will be on display for fun and competitive bidding. All proceeds will go to support the various art programs serving Santa Rosa County and its neighbors. **We encourage donations above the admission fee, generous bidding and will gladly work with individuals, groups and organizations in setting up endowments and memorial/honorary funds to remember or honor your loved ones.**

The Foundation is also encouraging the public to enter **“The Fantastic Fudge” contest**. Contest entries will be on display for viewing and tasting. Judging will occur during the Get a Taste for Art evening of entertainment. Attendees choosing to sample the entries will

select the winners by popular vote. Prizes will be awarded that evening to the most popular tasty morsels with the grand prize winner receiving a most generous gift donated by Santa Rosa Jewelers. The contest entry fee is included in the \$25 event admission. Contact Sharon Holley for details at 850-336-1805.

The Foundation uses "Get a Taste For Art" to raise awareness, funding and public engagement in the growing interests and diversities of Santa Rosa County's arts and culture, which contribute significantly to our local economy. Creative, well-educated employee pools attract quality businesses to communities with a thriving cultural environment. With so many people moving into the county from all over the world, expectations for the arts and cultural involvements are on the rise

Santa Rosa Arts and Culture Foundation Inc., as the art agency for Santa Rosa County, endeavors to vitalize, promote, and enrich the arts through its support and offerings of diverse programs and events which encourages well being and self-expression in numerous forms of art and culture. The Foundation does this by providing grants, supporting the visual and performing artists, showing and marketing unique or original creations at the Dragonfly Gallery and raising the awareness of the public through community festivals like Riverwalk Arts Festival, Holiday Gallery Night/Light Up Milton, regularly scheduled hands-on workshops by artisans/craftsmen and featuring varying artists or disciplines at special events, classes and shows.

Everything from traditional oil paintings, watercolors, sketches, digital photography to pottery, jewelry, stained glass, sculptures and more are on display at the Dragonfly Gallery. The public is welcome to visit Tuesday through Saturdays, 10-4pm in downtown Milton on Escambia Street directly behind the Main Street Café on Hwy 90.

Get out and enjoy the evening while supporting the arts by attending this unique annual offer, 'Get A Taste For Art', and thrill your senses. Experience firsthand the talent that contributes and enhances our quality of living in Santa Rosa County. Check out our website for more information about the Foundation and the Gallery in Milton: www.santarosaarts.org. or www.sracf.org .

Respectfully submitted,

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