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CherryArts Festival at Stanley Returns September 16, 17 and 18 with National Art and Local Flavor at Stanley Marketplace

DENVER (August 4, 2016) - [CherryArts Festival at Stanley](http://www.CherryArts.org/Stanley), produced by the Cherry Creek Arts Festival, takes place at [Stanley Marketplace](http://www.stanleymarketplace.com), located on the border of Aurora and Stapleton at 2501 Dallas St., on September 16, 17 and 18 and will feature national art and local flavor.

The event kicks off with the Opening Night Grand Tasting on Friday, September 16 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., featuring an exclusive selection of Stanley Marketplace restaurants, fine local culinary tastes, open-bar cocktails and beverages, national juried visual artists and special entertainment. Special VIP tickets are available and include one-hour early entry and a special VIP-only party, limited to 100 patrons. For tickets to the event, visit <http://www.CherryArts.org/Stanley>. Ticket sales go toward funding CherryArts' nonprofit arts education programs.

On September 17 and 18, the event is free and open to the public and will include a national juried art show with more than 90 exhibiting artists in 14 categories, including ceramics, mixed media, digital art, photography, metalworks and drawing. For a complete list of participating artists, visit <http://cherryartsstanley.org/exhibiting-artists/>. In addition to the artists, visitors will enjoy children's activities at the Creation Station, interactive art installations, food trucks and live entertainment.

"We are excited to collaborate for a second year with Stanley Marketplace, for CherryArts Festival at Stanley," said Tara Brickell, CherryArts executive director and CEO. "This year will feature three days of art, culinary experiences, performing arts and arts education, offering experiences for the whole family."

Stanley Marketplace is a former aviation building that is being transformed into a food-centric, community inspired hub on the border of Aurora and Stapleton. Opening in 2016, Stanley will include a beer hall, multiple restaurants, a fitness center and yoga studio, office space, an events center, and numerous retail options.

About CherryArts Festival at Stanley

The 2016 CherryArts Festival at Stanley is sponsored in association with Xfinity, Alice 105.9, 99.5 The Mountain, CBS4, *Colorado Homes & Lifestyles*, *Mountain Living*, *OUT FRONT*, The Scientific & Cultural Facilities District, Stanley Marketplace and *Westword*. Supporting Sponsors include Blake Communications, Finished Basement Company and LearnSkillz. A portion of the proceeds from CherryArts Festival at Stanley supports the Cherry Creek Arts Festival's 501c3 mission to provide access to a broad array of arts experiences and support arts education in Colorado. For more information, visit www.cherryarts.org/stanley; or follow us on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/cherryarts), [Twitter](https://twitter.com/cherryarts), [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/cherryarts) and Snapchat (cherryarts). Join the conversation using the hashtag #CherryArts.

About Stanley Marketplace

Opening in 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, 140,000 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.

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