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Enjoy Local Fare While Feasting Your Eyes on Art at the CherryArts Festival at Stanley Some of Colorado's favorite culinary artists serve up local bites September 16-18

DENVER (September 8, 2016) – <u>CherryArts Festival at Stanley</u>, produced by the Cherry Creek Arts Festival, will serve delicious samplings by local culinary artists. The Festival takes place at the soon-to-be-opened <u>Stanley Marketplace</u>, on the border of Stapleton and Aurora on September 17 and 18 with a ticketed Grand Tasting event on September 16.

The Opening Night Grand Tasting will feature an exclusive selection of local culinary tastes from 10 restaurants, many of which are Stanley Marketplace restaurants, including Rosenberg's Bagels & Delicatessen, Mondo Market, Denver Biscuit Company, Rolling Smoke BBQ and several others. The evening also will include open-bar cocktails and beverages, national juried visual artists and music from The Other Black.

VIP tickets are available and include one-hour early entry, 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, event admission is free to the public but visitors can purchase an array of culinary choices from seven Denver-based food trucks, including Comida (Sunday only), Lobster Bliss and Barbed Wire Reef.

"While CherryArts Festival at Stanley is an event that celebrates artists from all over the country, including Colorado, we are excited to offer patrons a local experience of delicious food from some of Denver's favorite restaurants and food trucks," said Tara Brickell, executive director of CherryArts. "The event offers something for everyone, from families with children who want to engage in hands-on art activities to serious art buyers to those looking for a culinary experience in a unique outdoor setting."

In addition to enjoying local fare, visitors can view and purchase art from 100 artists, experience live entertainment and interactive art installations and explore children's activities at <u>Creation Station</u>.

For the full media kit for CherryArts Festival at Stanley, including images with photo credits, please visit http://bit.ly/2c5uBHB.

About CherryArts Festival at Stanley

The 2016 CherryArts Festival at Stanley is sponsored in association with Xfinity, CBS4, *Colorado Homes & Lifestyles, Mountain Living*, Alice 105.9, 99.5 The Mountain, *OUT FRONT*, The Scientific & Cultural Facilities District, Stanley Marketplace and *Westword*. Supporting Sponsors include Blake Communications, Finished Basement Company, LearnSkillz, Renewal by Andersen & Visit Aurora. 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, Twitter, Instagram 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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