

**PRESS RELEASE**

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The Arts Council, Inc.

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**Event:** Women Supporting the Arts Spring Reception

**Where:** The Mansion at Tuckahoe

**Who:** Women Supporting the Arts

Stuart, FL: The Mansion at Tuckahoe provided an elegant setting for Women Supporting the Arts Spring Reception. Over 125 supporters attended, including twenty-one 2010 grant recipients. Since 2004, WSA has provided 86 grant awards, totaling \$116,000 for arts-related programs, projects, scholarships and internships in Martin County.

Virginia MacDonald coordinated the event through Perfectly Planned Events. Music was provided by Bach's Children Music School's string ensemble and catering was by Renato's Italian Ristorante. A slide presentation by Nicole West of TechSoup, Inc. was an integral part of the evening.

Past Chairman of the Arts Foundation, Craig Price, was recognized for his exemplary support of WSA. Maureen O'Connor and Vi Nichols, founding co-chairs, were celebrated for their diligent efforts in the success of the Treasure Coast's first giving circle.

Event sponsors included Toyota of Stuart, Renato's Italian Ristorante, Arts Foundation for Martin County, Stuart Magazine, Lauri J. Goldstein, P.A., Philip DeBerard Law Offices, Craig Price of UBS, and TechSoup, Inc. There were generous donations of raffle items by local artists and businesses.

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Women Supporting the Arts is affiliated with the Arts Foundation for Martin County, Inc, The Arts Foundation was created to support the programs and services of the Arts Council. The Arts Council is the designated local arts agency for Martin County. The Arts Council provides services to visual and performing artists, arts organizations, students and the public and strives to instill a passion for and participation in the arts. For more information, please call 772-287-6676 or visit [www.martinarts.org](http://www.martinarts.org). The Arts Council is sponsored in part by the Florida Department of State, Division of Cultural Affairs, the Florida Arts Council, the National Endowment for the Arts, the City of Stuart, Martin County Board of County Commissioners, and private contributions.

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