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Hot Summer Arts is heating up!

STUART, FL – June 28, 2010, **The Arts Council, Harbour Bay Plaza** and **Subaru of Stuart** have partnered to create “Hot Summer Arts” which will kick off this Thursday, July 1st, 5:00-8:00pm at Harbour Bay Plaza. Art lovers will stroll through the indoor/outdoor plaza and meet and mingle with local artists, young student artists and enjoy live music as well. This event has been created by local artists who have volunteered their time and talent. It will be a casual yet intimate cultural experience for everyone. It’s a combination of shopping, dining - all while absorbing a splash of fresh fine art and crafts from a variety of S. Florida artists.

Hot Summer Arts will

- Live music by Guitarist John Lang and Sax Artist Ron McCode of Bobby and the Blisters.
- Featured Local Fine Art Photographer, Kevin Boldenow will be exhibiting and signing his new book “Poetic Images”, with writer Joanna Smith,
- UCF Student Artist, and 2009 MARTies winner, Ashley Baldwin will be displaying various sculptures and have prints available of her potent economic and societal artworks, with a special display of artwork by the children under the care of Tykes and Teens.
- Also, there will be a variety of fresh, unique works by select juried artists such as Barbara Lapham, Sally Eckman Roberts, Carol Kepp, Linda Schoppmeyer, Pamela Hoke, Shawna Scarpitti and Ron Riffard.

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- EcoArt Treasure Coast Apprentices will be on hand to discuss their plans for Fall 2010

“The concept of this event is to show how art can bring our community together in a relaxing, yet fun environment during what some consider the doldrums of summer”, says event chair and volunteer artist, Pam Hoke.

“We hope to add a little life to the hot summer nights with this first of three events”, says Nancy Turrell, Executive Director of Martin County Arts Council. “We are a grassroots organization so it’s wonderful to see artists like Pam step up and volunteer their time.”

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The event is chaired by Arts Council member artists Pam Hoke and Shawna Scarpitti, is limited to only 20 Juried Artisans and 10 Sponsor Booths. The first event is now closed for applications, yet there are still openings for August and September. South Florida artists, fine crafters, local businesses and non-profits are encouraged to apply soon to claim their spots by visiting www.martinarts.org or e-mailing hotsummer@martinarts.org.

The Arts Council Inc. serving Stuart and Martin County is a 501(c)3 non-profit membership organization that supports the arts and artists. Revenues from events benefit both the artists and the Arts Council. The Arts Council and the Court House Cultural Center Gallery are located at 80 E. Ocean Boulevard, Stuart, Florida. For information visit the Arts Council website at www.martinarts.org or call 772-287-6676.

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