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What: 24th Annual ArtsFest

When: Saturday and Sunday, March 19th & 20th, 2011 **Where:** 80 E. Ocean Blvd., Downtown Stuart, Florida

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Calling all volunteers for the premier arts festival on the Treasure Coast—ArtsFest 2011

Stuart, FL, March 10, 2011 –Be a part of one of the most beloved and prestigious art shows on the Treasure Coast. Volunteers are needed for the Arts Council's 24th Annual ArtsFest©, Saturday, March 19th and Sunday, March 20th, 2011.

Anyone interested in supporting the arts in our community by volunteering for this exciting event should visit www.martinarts.org or call the Arts Council at 772-287-6676.

Over 150 talented artists hailing from across the country will line East Ocean Boulevard offering a selection of quality creations. ArtsFest© will also include children's activities, savory foods, craft-brewed beer, fine wines and the terrific talents of our strolling musicians and performing artists. In conjunction with ArtsFest©, MusicFest, a monthly concert series, will be offered on Friday, March 18 from 5 to 11 p.m. at Gazebo Park. Funds raised through both ArtsFest© and MusicFest will support the on-going programs of the Arts Council including arts information activities, arts education programs for youth and support for artists and arts organizations. Admission is free; however, a suggested donation of \$3 is greatly appreciated.

This event would not be possible without all of our generous sponsors including Channel 5 News, Scripps Treasure Coast Newspapers, Dunn Capital Management, Oculina Bank and Waste Management.

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 to support the on-going programs of the Council including arts information activities, arts education programs for youth and support for artists and arts organizations. 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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