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Salad Days 2010 Call for St. Tammany Student Artists

The City of Slidell's Department of Cultural & Public Affairs has released the prospectus for the nineteenth annual *Salad Days* juried exhibition of student art. This popular exhibit offers St. Tammany Parish students an opportunity to have their art featured in a formal gallery setting.

Salad Days recognizes student artists in four different categories, ranging from ages 5 to 19. The winners of each category will receive a \$50 first place check. Additionally, each artist accepted into the show will receive a certificate and a medallion, plus a t-shirt provided by the Commission on the Arts. All students who enter the competition will receive a Certificate of Participation.

"This is my favorite show each year," said Slidell Mayor Ben Morris. "Some of the students that have entered *Salad Days* in previous years are now in college and flourishing as professional artists. It's been really exciting to see how much our talented students have progressed over the years."

St. Tammany Parish students interested in participating should pick up a copy of the *Salad Days* prospectus, available at the Department of Cultural & Public Affairs office (located at 1330 Bayou Lane, #104) or online at www.slidell.la.us.

Students need to bring their completed entry form, art work, and \$5 entry fee to the Slidell Cultural Center (2055 Second Street, on the first floor of City Hall) on Monday, April 5, from 1 to 6 p.m. or Tuesday, April 6, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The *Salad Days* exhibit will open on Friday, April 24, with a reception from 6 to 8 p.m. The show will remain on display through Friday, June 25. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 to 4 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.



This year's juror is Susan Brunner who, with her husband Rick, owns and operates Brunner Gallery in Covington. Brunner graduated Suma Cum Laude from Southeastern University in Hammond, receiving a BA in Psychology and also attended Tulane University and the University of Florence, Italy, concentrating on arts, design and culture. She has taken an active role in the community toward the promotion and education of art as it relates to quality of life issues.

Brunner has served as a member of the Louisiana State Arts Council for the Division of the Arts and the St. Tammany West Chamber of Commerce, where she chaired the Cultural Economy Committee. She currently serves on the Executive Committee for the Louisiana Partnership of the Arts and the Louisiana State Museum Board. She has received many awards for her service to the arts including The St. Tammany Parish Art Patron of the Year Award in 2007, the West St. Tammany Chamber of Commerce Member of the year award in 2007, as well as the Arts All Star Award in 2009 from the East St. Tammany Cultural Economy Coalition.

This Louisiana Cultural District and Main Street event is presented by the City of Slidell's Department of Cultural & Public Affairs, its Commission on the Arts and the 2009 - 2010 Cultural Season sponsors, including *Living* magazine; *Louisiana Life* magazine; Northshore Broadcasting Lake 94.7; Slidell Memorial Hospital; Whitney National Bank; AT&T; CLECO; *Northshore Conifer*; Ronnie Kole Foundation; Comfort Inn & Suites; Creative Picture Framing Inc. & Art Gallery; East St. Tammany Chamber of Commerce; Hampton Inn; *Inside Northside* magazine; Lowry-Dunham, Case & Vivien; The Purple Armadillo; Silver Slipper Casino; Slidell Independent; Bargains Plus!/Postal Plus; Baskin Robbins; Councilman Bill & Laura Borchert; David Carollo, Attorney at Law; DuBuisson's Art Corner; HMS Architects, APC; Kathryn & Company's A Touch of Italy Café; Krewe of Bilge; Ed & Chris Massett; Northshore Regional Medical Center; Paint Your Own Studio; Textron Marine and Land Systems; Slidell Symphony Society; Times Grill; Travel Leaders of Slidell; Dr. Russell & Nancy Westfall and WGSO 990 AM.

This event is supported by a grant from the Louisiana Division of the Arts, Office of Cultural Development, Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism in cooperation with the Louisiana State Arts Council as administered by the St. Tammany Commission on Cultural Affairs.

For more information about *Salad Days*, please call the Department of Cultural & Public Affairs at (985) 646-4375 or visit the website at www.slidell.la.us.