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Toast to the Arts Museum Fundraiser Scheduled Feb. 26

NORMAN – The Fred Jones Jr. Museum of Art’s annual spring fundraiser, Toast to the Arts, is scheduled at the museum on the University of Oklahoma Norman campus from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26. At the event, which is open to the public, guests explore the museum’s permanent collection coupled with cuisine and drinks unique to the artists’ nationalities.

For example, amaretto coffee is paired with works in Galileo’s World: An Artful Observation of the Cosmos and Parisian wines accompany works from the museum’s French Impressionism collection.

“Toast to the Arts is one of the museum’s most highly anticipated events of the year, and we are excited about our offerings to the public this year,” said Jessica Farling, the director of public engagement at the museum.

Local businesses Benvenuti’s, O Asian Fusion, Belle Kitchen, Das Boot Camp and University Catering will provide artisan hors d’oeuvres with an artistic theme, and Republic National Distributing Co. and COOP Ale Works have donated international beverages for attendees to sample. A strolling accordionist will provide entertainment, and an improvisational pianist play musical requests.

Toast to the Arts also is supported by Cain and Cain: Estate Planners for Life, Eide Bailly LLP, State Farm agent Julia Chew and Miles Associates.

Event proceeds will go toward the museum’s art acquisition budget for 2016. Tickets to the event are $50 for Museum Association members and $75 for non-members and are available by phone at (405) 325-2297. You must be 21 or above to attend.
The Fred Jones Jr. Museum of Art is located in the OU Arts District on the corner of Elm Avenue and Boyd Street, at 555 Elm Ave., on the OU Norman campus. Admission to the museum is complimentary to all visitors, thanks to a generous gift from the OU Athletics Department. Information and accommodations on the basis of disability are available by calling (405) 325-4938 or visiting www.ou.edu/fjjma.

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