Eyes on the Prize 2012 at the Happy Dog

Where are you going to celebrate Leap Year?

At a Benefit at the Happy Dog, of course, supporting the Cleveland Arts Prize! Come to the Gordon Square Arts District’s most popular bar and join in the fun!

PROCEEDS FROM THIS BENEFIT GO TOWARDS FULFILLING THE MISSION OF THE ARTS PRIZE.

Where: Happy Dog in Gordon Square Arts District (CAP 2011)
When: February 29, 2012
Time: 6:00 PM
Entertainment: Jamey Haddad (CAP 2010) + Franklin Cohen (Principal Clarinet for the Cleveland Orchestra) + Bobby Selvaggio (saxophone) + students from Oberlin Conservatory and Cleveland Institute of Music
Food: All the Dogs (and veggie dogs) and toppings you can eat and the best bar in Cleveland.

Sampling of Live Auction items:
5 course dinner and wine tasting at the chef's table at Fire for six people with Paula McLain (CAP 2011), author of The Paris Wife.
One night in a delux double room at the Ritz Carlton. Breakfast and parking included.
Two Executive Producer Level tickets to the 2012 Cleveland International Film Festival
Private Tour for 8 people of Cleveland Art Museum led by Dr. David Franklin, director of the Cleveland Museum of Art, followed by dinner in the executive boardroom overlooking the enclosed atrium.
Once in a lifetime experience: Blow your own hot glass in Brent Kee Young's studio.

Silent Auction of art works by Arts Prize Winners: Judith Salomon (CAP 1990), Brent Kee Young (CAP 1987), Don Harvey (CAP 1991), Chris Pekoc (CAP 2007), and Amy Casey (CAP 2009)
Paddle Raise for Endowment Fund for the Artists' Prizes

TICKETS:
$200 Top Dog ($165 Tax Deductible)
$100 Best in Show ($65 Tax Deductible)
$50 Young Pup ($15 Tax Deductible)

Available on our website www.clevelandartsprize.org or send a check to Cleveland Arts Prize, PO Box 21126, Cleveland, OH 44121.

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Arts Prize Live Events of 2012

Arts Prize Live Events are small, personal experiences with an Arts Prize Winner. Limited to 20 people, attendance guarantees you a chance to get to know an Arts Prize Winner in his or her milieu. Experiences vary depending upon the artist.

TO PURCHASE TICKETS
The ticket price of each event is $20. Please send a check, with the name of the event on the memo line, to Cleveland Arts Prize, PO Box 21126, Cleveland, OH 44121

JANUARY 15, 2012
An Embellished Arts Prize Live Event:
The Cleveland Arts Prize meets Akron Arts Leaders.
An exhibition at the Harris • Stanton Gallery in Akron, Ohio is celebrating a 40-year retrospective of the prints of Phyllis Sloane (CAP 1982 Visual Arts). Following the gallery visit, guests are invited to the home of Tom and Meg Stanton, international collectors of 20th and 21st century art, for refreshments. 2:00 PM

FEBRUARY 7, 6:00PM
Tour of Cleveland Clinic Art Collection with Executive Director and curator Joanne Cohen (CAP 2010). Meet the curator in charge of the Cleveland Clinic’s first Art Program. See contemporary artworks and site-specific commissions by local, national and international artists, and hear from the curator how the collection has been developed in the world class health care setting of the Cleveland Clinic.

MAY 3, 2012
Michael Oatman (CAP 2011 Literature) will be directing Gem of the Ocean by August Wilson, at Karamu House. Arts Prize Live will provide us with an insider’s view one week prior to the opening. At 6:00PM on May 3, Michael Oatman will meet with us to discuss his direction. At 7:00 PM our group will have a one hour “sneak peek” at the rehearsal process. What a great preview to the full production.

OCTOBER 2012
Yolanda Kondonassis (CAP 2011 Music & Dance) will present the program “Conversations from the Harp” at the home of Robert Maschke (CAP 2011 Design). This night is a “double header”. Not only will you be able to learn about the harp and hear it played but you will also experience the space and see the beautiful vistas of Robert Maschke’s contemporary home, which he designed and built in 2006.
A special THANK YOU to everyone who contributed to our Annual Fund Campaign during the last months of 2011. It is you, our supporters, who have made the Arts Prize, and recognition of our local artists, a priority. If you did not have the opportunity to contribute to our annual fund campaign in 2011, please consider contributing now! Here, from the mouths of Arts Prize winners, are the reasons the Arts Prize is important to our community:

“As the Arts Prize has evolved over time, it has become important—not just to the individual artist—but to the entire community as well. The Arts Prize makes it possible to celebrate and support the creative and talented people who choose to live in Greater Cleveland. It also gives us an opportunity to highlight the unique quality of Cleveland’s cultural life.”

**Mary Louise Hahn**

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**“The Cleveland Arts Prize does matter. Cleveland is a diverse and complex community. It represents the best of the industrial past and, at the same time, the best of innovation and commitment of civic leaders that has continued all along. To imagine Cleveland without a thriving art scene and artists within our midst is impossible. Artists think as problem solvers; they are not afraid to take risks. The Arts Prize is one of the ways to make our community welcoming and nourish our artists. It is the way the community says artists are important to us.”**

**Kathleen Barrie**
Principal at Barrie Projects (CAP 1998)

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Check out the Arts Prize Vimeo Channel!

In the last few months, the Cleveland Arts Prize has completed twenty short, first person, documentary videos of Arts Prize winners.

All are housed on our Vimeo Channel as well as on our website www.clevelandartsprize.org, on both the artist’s biography in the archive and from a link found on the home page.

Ted Sikora, the filmmaker, has done an extraordinary job of putting the viewer in touch with the artist and the art. Each artist is at work and is talking about important ideas: materials, influences, themes, markets, lifestyles, aspirations and inspirations, etc. These videos peek into the artist’s life and give the viewer the opportunity to observe the artist doing what he or she does best... creating!

The Arts Prize thanks the Cleveland Foundation, the Kulas Foundation, Tim and Sally Lachina and Jack and Mary Ann Katzenmeyer for making these videos possible. Should you wish to sponsor a video of your favorite Arts Prize Winner, please send an email to info@clevelandartsprize.org or call 440.523.9889.
Arts Prize Winners in the News! Did you know that Mary Doria Russel (CAP 1998)’s new book, *Doc* is going to be made into a mini-series on HBO? Or that George Bilgere (CAP 2003) was on stage at Town Hall with Garrison Keller on his December 10th Prairie Home Companion broadcast? Or that Ernie Krivda (CAP 2009)’s new CD was influenced by Harvey Pekar (CAP 2006)? You can find all this out by reading our News and Events Page on the Cleveland Arts Prize website www.clevelandartsprize.org. Check it out regularly! You, too, will be in the Know!

What time is it?

**Time to NOMINATE your favorite candidate for the 2012 Cleveland Arts Prizes**

This is the moment when YOU make a difference! And this is easy to do!

2. Click on Nominate.
3. Read the requirements for the discipline or special prize category.
4. Make sure your candidate fulfills the requirements.
5. Fill out the contact information for you and for your candidate.
6. Answer the questions.
7. Hit Submit.

You are finished! Please take the time to think about who has made a difference in your life because of his/her art.

**Nominations close February 29, 2012.**