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ARTFEAST SANTA FE

A year-round celebration of fine art, food, wine, fashion, and homes benefiting art programs for the youth of Santa Fe.

ARTfeast Gala Dinner

February 27, 2016

ART of Home Tour

February 27-28, 2016

Edible Art Tour

June 10-11, 2016

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ARTsmart's 19th Annual February Fundraising Events

ARTsmart presents our 19th annual February fundraising weekend, Santa Fe's foremost winter celebration of artful living. It takes place February 27-28, 2016 with two events celebrating the city's world-class chefs and restaurants, prominent artists and galleries, and unique homes. This year's February gala is a significant milestone as our celebratory 25th Anniversary Dinner & Auction returns to the Eldorado Hotel & Spa on Saturday, February 27, 2016. We are honored to announce "Without Reservations" cartoonist and Kewa Pueblo heritage keeper, Ricardo Caté as ARTsmart's 2016 Honorary Chair.

The night's festivities will kick-off with sparkling wine and passed hors d'oeuvres. Eldorado Hotel's chef Tony Smith is preparing the evenings' entrée, with additional stations featuring courses by Angel Estrada of Midtown Bistro, and Dinner for Two Chef Andy Barnes. Complementary fine wines accompany the meal and there is a cash bar for cocktails. The sweetest inclusions on the menu are desserts crafted by Santa Fe High's culinary program students.

Each year ARTsmart sponsors the Honorary Artist project. This year John Geldersma mentored Capital High School students who created wood sculptures featured as table centerpieces. Once again, the "I Made It!" placemat and plate competition for Santa Fe Public School fifth graders resulted in more than 90 delightful dessert plates, dinner plates, platters, and for the first time, sets of bowls, all auctioned on Saturday night. ARTsmart high school students and college scholarship winner will be painting artworks on-site also available. Tickets are \$175.

The Art of Home Tour in partnership with Keller Williams is from noon to 4pm on Saturday and Sunday, now featuring twelve abodes, each showcasing art from local Santa Fe galleries such as Winterowd Fine Art and GF Contemporary.

As a fundraiser, proceeds from ticket sales and purchases made throughout the weekend go to ARTsmart, a 501c3 nonprofit that ensures that schoolchildren have the opportunity to explore, experience, and engage in the visual arts, which are a critical component of every student's education.