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World-Class Art Festival Returns to Beautiful Downtown Stuart

February 25 and 26, 2017

27th Annual Downtown Stuart Art Festival welcomes more than 200 local and national artists during two day, free event

STUART, FL – January 30, 2017 – Downtown Stuart will be transformed next month as more than 200 artists and their creations fill Osceola Street from St. Lucie Avenue to Detroit Avenue. The gallery-style booths will be filled with every medium of fine art during the 27th Annual Downtown Stuart Art Festival. The popular free, outdoor event takes place on February 25 and 26 from 10 am to 5 pm both days. Proceeds from the Art Festival benefit the joint Stuart Main Street and Downtown Business Association of Stuart promotion committee.

Residents and visitors are invited to stroll amidst life-size sculptures, spectacular paintings, one-of-a-kind jewels, photography, ceramics and more. The 200 artists are on site to discuss their inspirations and processes for each hand-made work. Parking is free and pets on leashes are always welcomed.

Presented by Howard Alan Events (HAE), producer of the nation's finest juried art shows, the Downtown Stuart Art Festival represents original artwork, handmade in America and selected by an independent panel of expert judges from hundreds of applicants. HAE's careful vetting process also ensures a wide array of mediums and price ranges will be offered during the Festival.



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FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

WHAT: 27th Annual Downtown Stuart Art Festival
WHEN: Saturday, February 25 and Sunday, February 26 from 10 am to 5 pm
WHERE: 26 SW Osceola St., Stuart, FL 34994
COST: Free and open to the public
WEBSITE: www.artfestival.com

FESTIVAL AT-A-GLANCE:

- Juried, first-class outdoor art gallery showcasing local and national artists
- Original handmade artwork
- More than 200 artists from 30 different states
- Artists hand-selected by independent panel of expert judges from hundreds of applicants
- All artists on site for duration of festival
- Vast array of artistic media including paintings, sculptures, photography, ceramics, glass, wood, handmade jewelry, collage, mixed media
- Free parking and pets on leashes welcome
- Benefits Stuart Main Street and the Downtown Business Association of Stuart



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About Stuart Main Street

Stuart Main Street is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization founded in 1987 to protect and promote Historic Downtown Stuart through historic preservation, downtown improvements, economic opportunity, and community events. Now celebrating its 30th year, the group is responsible for a wide variety of special events and promotions, as well as recent initiatives including downtown outdoor dining platforms.

Stuart Main Street is part of the Florida Main Street program and is nationally accredited by Main Street America. Stuart Main Street meets the second Tuesday of every month at 4:30 p.m. in the City Hall Chambers at 121 SW Flagler Avenue, Stuart. For more information, visit stuartmainstreet.org or call 772-286-2848.

About The Downtown Business Association of Stuart

The Stuart Downtown Business Association (DBA) formed to market the shops, galleries, restaurants, and professional businesses of Stuart's Historic Downtown and the surrounding areas. The group advocates for business owners and promotes a positive image of the downtown business district as a unique alternative to "cookie cutter" mall shopping through marketing, events, and other promotions. The DBA meets the fourth Wednesday of every month at 8:00 a.m. in the City Hall Chambers at 121 SW Flagler Avenue, Stuart. For more information visit www.historicdowntownstuart.com.

About Howard Alan Events, Inc.

Howard Alan Events, Florida-based company, produces the nation's top juried art and craft shows.



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Ranked among the Top 100 Art Fairs in the Country by Sunshine Artist Magazine, the 33-years established company has overseen art festivals in such noted cities as Alexandria, VA; Aspen, CO; Sarasota, FL; Fort Lauderdale, FL and 40 other destination markets in the nation.

For additional information on the Downtown Stuart Art Festival and other Howard Alan Events art and craft shows across the country, visit www.artfestival.com or call 561-746-6615.

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IMAGES ATTACHED:

Missouri artist Wayne Trinklein's "Sanctuary" molded copper wire, tin, rock

Deland artist Douglas Alexander's Butterflies hand-drawn pointillism and line art

Colorado artist Lin Seslar's "Summer Chairs" using old-world oil glazing techniques