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Cabrillo Gallery Hosts delicious exhibit TASTY

Artists Playing with Food Explored in "Tasty" Exhibit, October 3 - November 4

Aptos, CA— The Cabrillo Gallery presents the curated exhibition *TASTY: Artists Playing with Food*, with an opening reception on Saturday, October 1, from 5:00-7:00 PM. The reception will include a food performance by comedian **Diane Grunes**, and the awarding of exhibition prizes by guest curators and local culinary luminaries, **Gayle and Joe Ortiz**. The exhibit continues through Friday, November 4.

Food as artistic fodder is almost as old as the ritualistic depictions of hunting found in the caves of Lascaux, France. *Tasty: Artists Playing with Food* is a competitive exhibition. Artwork was selected from artists throughout the state of California, including 2- and 3-dimensional works of many varieties with a few "tasty" surprises thrown in. Of note is a multiple-piece ceramic sculpture made by artist Karen Hansen and her third grade students from Rucker Elementary School. The exhibition includes many Santa Cruz artists such as Mary Altier, Eva Bernstein, Margitta Dietrick-Welsh, Ed Penniman, Diane R. Ritch and others. Of the 33 artists exhibited, the Ortiz's have selected one award-winning artist and several cash awardees. These winners will be announced at the reception.

Gayle and Joe Ortiz opened Gayle's Bakery of Capitola in 1978, and serve close to 2000 eager customers each day. Today, Gayle and Joe are free to work on community activities and artistic projects, thanks to the dedication of 150 employees and business partner, Louisa Beers. In the last several years the pair have enjoyed painting, with a focus on watercolor journaling—Joe focuses on landscapes in acrylic and oil. Gayle has been a member of the Capitola Planning Commission and the Capitola City Council, having served one term as mayor. She currently designs reconstructed cashmere sweaters under the label "Cool & Collected." She co-authored the books *The Jewelry Box Mystery* and *A Killer Festival* with four local women, and *The Village Baker's Wife* with Joe and Louisa Beers. Joe is a songwriter with such stage productions as *Bread—The Musical!* and *Smoke* to his credit. He is the author of *The Village Baker* and co-author of *Shakespeare On Golf* and *The Gardener's Table*.

What: TASTY: Artists Playing with Food

When: October 3 - November 1

Reception: Saturday, October 1, 5:00 - 7:00 PM

Performance by Diane Grunes: Saturday, October 1, 6:00 PM

Where: Cabrillo Gallery, 6500 Soquel Drive, Aptos

Info: www.cabrillovapa.com

FREE EVENTS

The Cabrillo Gallery is located in the Library building, room #1002, in the center of the uphill side of the Cabrillo College campus. Hours are Monday – Friday, 9 – 4 PM including Monday and Tuesday evenings 7 – 9 PM. The Cabrillo Gallery is free and accessible to all. Parking can be found in any of the numerous metered parking areas.