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Venice Arts

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Dear Friend,

We invite you to join us at Ravenswork Studio on Saturday, October 25, 2008 for An Intimate Dinner and Celebration marking Venice Arts 15th anniversary. It will be an evening of delicious food and drink, music and dancing, photography auctions, and more. Funds raised from this event will support our free programs for low-income children in photography, filmmaking, and digital arts, as well as our national and international documentary projects.

The evening's Honorary Hosts are stars of the hit NBC show, *Law & Order: SVU*: Mariska Hargitay, Chris Meloni, and Dann Florek. Our Angels are Dr. Neal Baer, Executive Producer and Showrunner for *Law & Order: SVU* and a member of our Board, and Eugene Ahn, Wigglefish Communication Design.

The special-ticket Intimate Dinner, from 5:30–7:00 p.m. will feature outstanding food from local restaurants, Napa Valley wine bottled exclusively for us, and the honoring of our Angels. A Venice Arts Celebration begins at 7:00 p.m., when the music revs-up, hors d'oeuvres and drinks are served, and silent and live auctions take off, featuring work by renowned photographers, as well as Venice Arts' students. Guests will have portraits taken by students and record their digital stories in the Ravenswork sound studios.

In 15 years, Venice Arts has grown from a grass-roots arts organization serving Venice-area kids, to one of the preeminent youth media arts organizations in the region, serving children throughout Los Angeles. We also help people in other parts of the world give voice—through photography and filmmaking—to their stories and their lives. You can help assure that we will sustain our programs and increase our impact with your kind Sponsorship.

Please review the enclosed Sponsorship Opportunities and Ticket Purchase form and determine how you would like to get involved. If you wish to discuss participation contact Barbara Baumann of barbarab/events: 310.821.1857 or barbarabevents@ca.rr.com.

We look forward to your prompt response and thank you in advance for your support.

Sincerely,

Lynn Warshafsky
Executive Director

Jim Hubbard
Creative Director

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