

'Sarafornia: The Arts of Calistoga' Kicks Off Napa Valley's Arts in April

Celebration of Calistoga's bohemian spirit begins with Flower Bomb, March 30

CALISTOGA, CA, UNITED STATES, March 21, 2017 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Throughout the month of April, the entire Napa Valley celebrates in a series of arts events. In its 7th year, "Arts in April" continues to foster a unique, identifiable sense of place through locally produced and presented events paired with Napa Valley's wine, culinary and resort offerings. Calistoga's anchor event, "Sarafornia: The Arts of Calistoga," will kick-off Arts in April on March 30 through April 2, featuring works that span artistic disciplines and genres. Calistoga Wine Tours will offer complimentary transportation between these events happening April 1 & 2.

Flower Bomb

On Thursday, March 30, T-Vine Winery will host the opening reception of "Flower Bomb" from 6-8 p.m., with wine, snacks and live Latin guitar music performed by Carlos Herrera. Inspired by the de Young Museum's "Bouquets to Art" exhibit, "Flower Bomb" will display six local artworks and reproductions of masterpieces paired with floral arrangements created by professional and student floral designers. This exhibit is open to the public through April 2.

Storytelling Speakeasy

Saturday, April 1, from 6-9 p.m., the funky, inspiring space at Tank Garage Winery will present a curation of poetry, spoken word and storytelling paired with an after-hours wine tasting. Fashioned after the original speakeasies of the 1920s, which were havens for society's outliers, misfits and artists, the Storytelling Speakeasy is sure to capture the bohemian atmosphere of Calistoga.

ENGAGE Art Fair

Considered experiential, ENGAGE Art Fair is a transformative gallery-style exhibition to be held April 1 & 2 at the Napa County Fairgrounds. ENGAGE Art Fair will demonstrate the Napa Valley's aptitude for art and captivate your creative mind. Indulge in opportunities to meet an assortment of cultivators, sample local wines and food, listen to live music, and immerse yourself with San Francisco Bay Area art, craft and designs.

More Arts in April events in Calistoga:

• Public Art Installations begin April 1 with artist Lisa Kaplan's mud sculptures on display at Picayune Cellars, located behind the Calistoga Train Depot and at Napa County Fairgrounds. Mud is a staple of Calistoga's wellness scene and Lisa has created beautiful and haunting mud sculptures reflective of the human experience.

A vision of love conceived by local artist Karen Lynn Ingalls will come alive through "Hearts Across the Valley". Karen will trace a heart-shaped art path from downtown to the Napa County Fairgrounds and back, March 30 through April 2.

• "Barns & Bowls" at Blackbird of Calistoga is an exhibit that will feature Janet Berrien's paintings of barns and the bowls of ceramicist Bean Finneran. An opening reception will be held on April 2 from 3-

6 p.m.

- On Saturday, April 22, Yo el Rey Roasting will open an exhibit showcasing the Calistoga High School Art Students under the direction of Art and Drama Teacher, Tyrone Sorrentino. The exhibit will run through May 3.
- Brannan Cottage Inn will host<u>The Art of Tea</u> in a benefit for the Calistoga Art Center, Saturday, April 29. An Artist Reception will be held from 1-4 p.m. (\$20 reception only; refreshments will be served) and from 2-4 p.m., an Afternoon Tea & Lunch (\$75; attendance is limited) by Mobili-Tea mobile tea service. For tickets to this event, visit goo.gl/uZbHDL

For more information about Arts in April and ENGAGE Art Fair, go to VisitCalistoga.com or call (707) 942-6333. Note: For social media sharing: #ArtsinApril

About Calistoga Visitor's Center

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