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Anton Art Center ready for 26th annual ArtParty

Fundraiser features tasty food dishes, live entertainment and art

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Food, fashion and fun.

That's the simple recipe organizers of the 26th annual ArtParty to lure art patrons to the outdoor celebration in Mount Clemens to benefit the Anton Art Center.

Featuring food from dozens of local restaurants, Thursday's event will also have entertainment, dancing, live art demonstrations, a silent auction and more.

The event serves as a major fundraiser for the Anton Art Center and its operations, according to Art Center Director Phil Gilchrist.

"Money raised during the ArtParty helps us continue to keep a full schedule of classes and exhibitions, community outreach programs and opportunities for artists," Gilchrist said in a news release.

Highlights include:

- A live performance by Midwest Dueling Pianos
- Food and beverage samplings from more than 30 eateries
- Macomb County Public Works Commissioner Candice Miller will serve as honorary chairwoman
- Plenty of people watching with a "who's-who" of the Mount Clemens social scene

Macomb Place east of Southbound Gratiot Avenue will be closed off as a large tent is erected on the street to hold the celebration. Bar service is provided by Orleans Sports Cafe.

Orleans owner and ArtParty planning committee member Boone said attendance for the event has been up in recent years.

“ArtParty is a very important event for the town, but it’s a lot of fun,” Boone said. “Everyone gets together to enjoy some food, drink and music. And the people are a who’s-who of Mount Clemens.”

The ArtParty will be held 6-9 p.m. Thursday near the Anton Art Center, 125 Macomb Place, Mount Clemens.

Tickets are \$65 in advance or \$75 at the door, and are available at the Anton Art Center, by phone at 586-469-8666 or online at theartcenter.org/artparty.

Oakland University is the presenting sponsor. Other sponsors include 5/3 Bank, Crest Lincoln, Orlean’s Sports Cafe and Printing by Johnson.

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