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TELLURIDE FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS ANNOUNCES DATES FOR 2008

Annual Visual & Culinary Arts Festival in Mountain Village to Take Place August 14 - 17, 2008

MOUNTAIN VILLAGE, CO, May 13, 2008 – The Telluride Mountain Village Owners Association (TMVOA), sponsors and organizers of the Telluride Festival of the Arts announced today the dates for the 2008 program, which will take place Thursday, Aug. 14 through Sunday, Aug. 17. Bringing together culinary experts from a variety of cuisines as well as both renowned and emerging visual artists from across the United States, the Telluride Festival of the Arts will play host to over 7,000 local and regional visitors as well as guests from as far away as New York, Dallas, Chicago, Los Angeles, Phoenix and San Francisco.

The 2008 Telluride Festival of the Arts will delight for both food and art lovers alike. Culinary admirers and fine arts aficionados will come together to share a common passion for food, art and entertainment. Highlights of the 2008 Festival will include celebrity chef demonstrations, food seminars, a showcase dinner and grand tasting along with a nationally juried art exhibit organized by the producers of the Cherry Creek Arts Festival, one of the nation's most well known and most competitive outdoor juried arts festivals.

“The Telluride Festival of the Arts continues to be the signature event of the summer season here in Mountain Village,” said Mike Wisniewski, TMVOA president. “We look forward to welcoming our guests as well as some of the best and brightest stars in culinary and visual arts to one of the finest mountain resort destination in the United States.”

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2008 Telluride Festival of the Arts

When: Thursday, Aug. 14, 2008 – Sunday, Aug. 17, 2008.

Where: Town of Mountain Village, Colo.

Tickets: Weekend Pass and individual event ticket options will be available. Pricing to-be-announced.

Info: For more information visit to www.telluridefest.com.

About Telluride Festival of the Arts

The Telluride Festival of the Arts (TFA) is annual weekend-long, culinary and visual arts event held in Mountain Village, Colo. In association with the nationally renowned, Cherry Creek Arts Festival, TFA hosts nationally and regionally recognized chefs and artists from across the United States in a one-of-a-kind outdoor exhibition nestled in a box canyon surrounded by the majestic 13,000ft peaks of San Juan Mountains. For more information, visit www.telluridefest.com

About Telluride Mountain Village Owners Association

Telluride Mountain Village Owners Association (TMVOA) is a membership organization serving property owners in Mountain Village, Colo., with an ultimate goal of ensuring that Telluride Mountain Village is a highly sustainable and vital resort community. The funds collected by TMVOA from Real Estate Transfer Assessments on property sales tax and monthly member dues provide for and support affordable housing, assist with the creation of a stable work force, support regional transportation and create strategies to increase tourism in our town. TMVOA also sponsors and presents numerous events in Mountain Village including the Telluride Bluegrass Festival brunch and the Telluride Festival of the Arts. For more information, please call (970) 728-1904 or visit www.tmvoa.org.

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