Marblehead Festival of Arts

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MFoA Volunteers Party is Slated for April 30th at the Corinthian Yacht Club

Be Hands On! at this Year's Marblehead Festival of Arts

Marblehead, **MA** (**April 20**, **2006**) – The Marblehead Festival of Arts announced today that its annual Volunteer Information Party would be held on April 30th from 2 to 5 pm at the Corinthian Yacht Club. Located at 1 Nahant Street, Marblehead, the Corinthian Yacht Club is a beautiful setting on Marblehead Neck.

This annual gathering is a great way to learn about volunteer opportunities with the Marblehead Festival of Arts, scheduled for July 4th weekend, 2006. Festival Board members and committee chairpersons will be present to discuss Festival activities and answer any questions. Each chairperson can describe the scope of their committee, the tasks to be completed and the timeframe for doing them. The range of jobs available is quite unique, and many tasks can be fitted to the amount of time volunteers have available.

Volunteers may also choose a job that aligns with a particular interest, like setting up and staffing the art exhibits, working the musical performances or helping at the Children's Festival. Other volunteers work the Street Festival, sell Festival logo products or answer questions at the Information Booth. "There is a job for everyone," reports Claire Hunt, Festival Vice President, "and a strong sense of satisfaction that goes along with it when it comes to helping the Festival."

Traditionally, volunteering at the Marblehead Festival of Arts has been a great way to connect with other members of the Marblehead community. New comers and old time residents alike, come together in this fun, yet very worthwhile activity of supporting the local arts. We invite all to join us on April 30th and take in some light refreshments and some exciting Festival plans, enjoying the

setting and the beautiful views the Corinthian YC has to offer.

Please add to your Calendar of Events:

Marblehead Festival of Arts Volunteer Information Party Corinthian Yacht Club, 1 Nahant Street, Marblehead Sunday, April 30, 2006 2 to 5pm

About Marblehead Festival of Arts (MFoA)

Founded in 1962, the Marblehead Festival of Arts has a rich history in producing a premier summer arts festival that has become a unique forum for artistic expression. Traditionally held each year over July 4th weekend, the Marblehead Festival of Arts hosts a wide range of art exhibits (painting, sculpture, photography, drawing, etc.), outdoor music concerts overlooking Marblehead Harbor, Writer's World, the Street Festival, Children's Festival, Artisan's Marketplace and many other cultural activities designed to provide a fun and enriching experience for the entire family.

The Marblehead Festival of Arts Inc is a not-for-profit organization comprised of area residents who volunteer their time and services in a variety of capacities. With the mission to promote and foster artistic events and activities in the town of Marblehead, this organization was launched in 1962 by producing an annual Arts Festival. Today, in addition to its summer arts program, the Marblehead Festival of Arts sponsors events throughout the year, promotes area artists, supports up and coming art students via an annual scholarship and contributes to the overall cultural climate of Marblehead.

The Marblehead Festival of Arts is run by an all-volunteer organization comprised of more than forty committees and involving several hundred volunteers. It operates year round and relies primarily on donations to fund its operations. Individuals, families, and businesses may become Festival Sponsors by making a tax-deductible contribution. For additional information on MFoA, a calendar of events, volunteer opportunities and sponsorship, please call: **781-639-ARTS** (639-2787) or visit: www.marbleheadfestival.org

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