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Ina Garten: Barefoot Contessa
Mesa Arts Center
Tuesday, November 15, 7:30 p.m.

Mesa, AZ (May 16, 2016) – Ina Garten, one of the country’s most beloved culinary icons, author of nine *New York Times* bestselling cookbooks and host of the popular Emmy and James Beard Award-winning *Barefoot Contessa Back to Basics* show on Food Network, is coming to **Mesa Arts Center**, on **Tuesday, November 15 at 7:30 p.m.** Joined by a moderator, Ina will share stories that bring the audience behind the scenes of life in the Hamptons, filming her tv show, writing bestselling cookbooks and enjoying food with friends and family. An audience Q&A will directly follow the interview.

Tickets (starting at \$41 plus applicable service charges) go **on sale Sunday, June 12 at 12 Noon** at **Mesa Arts Center’s Box office** or by calling **480-644-6500**.

Ina’s most personal cookbook yet, *Cooking for Jeffrey*, is filled with the recipes Jeffrey and their friends request most often as well as charming stories from Ina and Jeffrey’s many years together. From satisfying lunches to elegant dinners, Ina will discuss the recipes she has tested over and over again, so you too can serve them with confidence to the people you love. Ten million copies of Garten’s books are in print, including her last nine titles, all of which are *New York Times* bestsellers.

Ina Garten’s show *Barefoot Contessa* is now in its 11th season on the Food Network. Ina lives in East Hampton, New York, with her husband, Jeffrey. Learn more at www.BarefootContessa.com.

Williams-Sonoma is the seller of autographed copies of Ina's new book *Cooking for Jeffrey: A Barefoot Contessa Cookbook* (October 25, 2016) for this tour with Mills Entertainment. Pre-ordering is strongly recommended as there will be a limited supply available for purchase on the night of the show. Autographed copies can be pre-ordered now at www.williams-sonoma.com/inagartentour for pickup at the event.

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About Mesa Arts Center

Mesa Arts Center, owned and operated by the City of Mesa, is a unique, architecturally stunning facility located in the heart of downtown Mesa. Arizona's largest multidisciplinary arts center is home to four theaters, five art galleries in the Mesa Contemporary Arts Museum, and 14 art studios. Guests, patrons, and students come to Mesa Arts Center to enjoy the finest live entertainment, performances and festivals, world-class visual art exhibitions, and outstanding arts education classes. The Mesa Arts Center mission is to inspire people through engaging arts experiences that are diverse, accessible, and relevant. For more information, visit mesaartscenter.com.

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