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Mesa Arts Festival: Saturday and Sunday, December 8 and 9, 2018

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Mesa, AZ – Mesa Arts Center’s free annual arts festival will feature original works of art for sale from local, regional and national artists in various mediums, live entertainment showcasing local and national talent on two stages, artist demonstrations, roaming performers and an array of culinary delights, December 8 and 9, 2018. Parking and admission are free and festival hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. each day.

The festive event invites people of all ages to get in the holiday spirit, accomplish some holiday shopping with unique gifts and do it all while enjoying art and entertainment. One-of-a-kind items will be plentiful, carolers from C'est la vie will serenade the crowd and performing artists from Rachel Bowditch's Vessel collaboration titled “Chrome,” will be interacting and offering photo opportunities.

Mesa Contemporary Arts Museum’s five gallery spaces will be open, as well as The Store, where original art created by local artists will be displayed for purchase. Artist demonstrations in ceramics, enameling, flameworking, glass blowing, blacksmithing, jewelry making, drawing, painting and printmaking will take place at various times throughout the festival, and festival-goers will be able to try their hand at many of the classes offered at Mesa Arts Center.

Live music will be performed by Jan Sandwich Jazz Quintet, Chasing Ember, Pearl Ridge Band, Losers Way Home Trio, Devon Bridgewater Nuance Quintet, Three-Legged Dog, The Blues Review Band, Las Chollas Peligrosas, Rhythm Edition, Boxelder Station, Guitarras Latinas and The Dusty Ramblers Project.

Mesa Arts Center is located at One East Main Street in downtown Mesa. There is no charge to attend the Mesa Arts Festival, and parking is free. More information can be found at

MesaArtsCenter.com or by calling 480-644-6620.

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ABOUT MESA ARTS CENTER

The Mesa Arts Center mission is to inspire people through engaging arts experiences that are diverse, accessible, and relevant. Owned and operated by the City of Mesa, Arizona’s largest arts center is recognized as an international award-winning venue. The unique and architecturally stunning facility is home to four theaters, five art galleries, and 14 art studios and an artist cooperative gallery. For more information, visit mesaartscenter.com.