

Marblehead Festival of Arts

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Marblehead Festival of Arts to Hold Logo Premiere Party January 27

Marblehead, MA (January 12, 2009)—The public is invited to the Marblehead Festival of Arts (MFoA) Annual Logo Premiere Party on Tuesday, January 27, from 7–9 pm, at The Landing Restaurant, 81 Front Street, Marblehead. The Logo Premiere Party will feature the announcement of the 2009 Logo Contest winner, as well as delicious hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar.

Every year, the Festival is represented by a new logo, the result of a design competition. This year's Logo Contest featured 68 entries from Essex County professional graphic artists, art hobbyists, and art students. The competition was intense and the selection process challenging. A panel of three judges selected 20 semifinalists and then four finalists, and the winner was selected by public ballot at voting locations in Marblehead, Beverly, Lynn, Salem, and Swampscott. On January 27, the award-winning logo will be announced and shown for the first time, and an award will be presented to the winning artist. The finalist and semifinalist logo entries will be on display.

The Logo Premiere Party has become a fun way to “chase away the winter blues,” meet and greet Festival friends, and hear about Festival plans in the making. The MFoA is an all-volunteer organization, and Festival Board Members will be on hand to answer any questions

attendees may have regarding volunteer opportunities. Preparations are underway for fundraising events, exhibits, and performing arts that all require help. The public is invited to “come join in the fun.” More information is available online at www.MarbleheadFestival.org.

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, Artisans’ Marketplace, and many other cultural activities designed to provide a fun and enriching experience for the entire family.

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 solely 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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