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Incognito Art Auction & Party Returns to the Memphis Botanic Garden this July

Memphis, TN – The Memphis Botanic Garden (MBG) is pleased to announce the Incognito Art Auction & Party will return in 2024 after a year and a half hiatus. Incognito, now in its 14th year, was traditionally held in January, but starting in 2024 this beloved event will take place in July. The artwork is on view July 8-28 in the Garden’s Visitors Center and Grand Hallway with online bidding open July 15-28.

The in-person Party will take place on July 28 from 6-8 pm. Attendees will mix & mingle with the Incognito artists at this exciting culmination of the art auction. Live music from Kenneth Jackson will delight while attendees make their final bids on the diverse selection of artwork up for auction this year. Small bites & two drinks are included with each ticket. Party tickets are \$35 for MBG Members and \$45 for non-members.

Over 100 artists donated a piece of original unsigned work to encourage viewers to bid on what they love, not who they know including Mid-South favorites such as Ron Olson, David Rawlinson, Phyllis Boger, Judy Nocifora, and more. The identity of the artist for each piece remains incognito until after the auction concludes at 7:30 pm on July 28.

Proceeds support the Memphis Botanic Garden. Incognito is supported, in part, by Artists’ Link, a volunteer organization, resource, and support group for Memphis area visual artists and a link between artists and the community.

“Incognito and Artists’ Link are essential to the Memphis Botanic Garden’s annual fundraising efforts. This year, over 100 artists are showing up to support us, highlighting the significance of art within a garden space, both indoors and outdoors,” said Carlee Zamora, Adult Education Coordinator. “This drives us to continue our support for local art communities by collaborating with local artists and offering classes that integrate various art mediums with nature. Incognito is truly a testament to the love and collaboration efforts between the Memphis Botanic Garden and the Memphis art community.”

“We’re proud to host this amazing collection of art from some of our local artists who are using their talents to support the Garden,” said Gina Harris, Director of Education & Events. “We see our Garden as a piece of living

art, and events such as this help to support our ongoing efforts to provide yearlong beauty for visitors, special events, and educational opportunities.”

Participating artists:

Jamie Acor, Carol Adamec, Ann H. Aldinger, Michael Allen, Libby Anderson, Mary Baddour, Rick Bailey, Lisa Balton, Sharron Barrett, Kelly Blumenthal, Jim Blythe, Phyllis Boger, Brandy Boyd, Natalie Brashear, Ann Brown Thomason, Patricia Bundy, Ed Bynum, Shameka Carter, Carol Caughey, Pat Chaffee, Rebecca Chappell, Rena Chiozza, Teresa Chumney, Christine Collins, Martha Cook, Saj Crone, Dana DeLarme, Ann Dwyer, Suzanne Evans, Dawn Fetty, Barrie Foster, Alisa Free, Jane Fulmer, Glenn Fuqua, Gary Gibson, Agnes Gordon Stark, Ken Hall, Carol Ham, Jim Henderson, Sandra Hill, Donna Hopper, Sandra Horton, Art Hullender, Nancy Hunter, Amy Hutcheson, Gay Johnston, Heather Jones, Katie Jones, Janice Kennedy, Nancy Kurtz, Julie Lakebrink, Connie Lampen, Vicki Less, Frank Lilly, Linda Lucchesi, Rose Marr-Scott, Sheila Martin, Sherry May, Bob McCabe, Patrick McGee, Annabelle Meacham, Mike Moffett, Frederick Lyle Morris, Carolyn Moss, Sharman Murley, Gopal Murti, Judy Nocifora, Julie Nouwen, Beth Okeon, Ron Olson, Anna K. Parker, Jeannine Paul, Mary Pera, Carol H. Perel, Karen Perrin, Joy Phillips Routt, Donna Plumer, Jenny Powell Miller, Maja Price, Connie Pride, David Rawlinson, Lynn Reed, Quinlan Rhodes, Meryl P. Rose, Becky Ross McRae, Carolyn S. Bernard, Carol S. McGarrity, Pam Santi, Amanda Jo Schmitt, Sandy Scruggs, Jacque' Sligh, Felicitas Sloves, Margret Smith, Jeannie Stonebrook, Mandy Talley, Lainey Turner, Barbara Turner Tigrett, Joe Umphress, Linda Umphress, Elizabeth Valezquez, Judy Vandergrift, Frances Vaughn, Glenna Ward, Lynn Weinberg, Lance David White, Julie Wiklund, Jana Wilson, Wanda Winsett, Marcia Wonderlich, Jon Woodhams, Nancy Woods, Angie Wynn

Learn more and purchase party tickets at membg.org/events/incognito-art-auction

About Memphis Botanic Garden

The Memphis Botanic Garden is a not-for-profit 501(c) (3) organization dedicated to being an exemplary center for horticulture and environmental enrichment. Serving over 40,000 school-aged children annually, and hosting 260,000 visitors each year, Memphis Botanic Garden strives to enhance lives by connecting people with nature, increasing awareness and appreciation of our environment.

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