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2007 Art Banner Project & Art Banner Auction

Livermore Downtown Inc. presents the 5th Annual Art Banner Project and Art Banner Auction to be held on October 13th, 2007. The 2007 Art Banners are currently on display throughout downtown Livermore on the lightpoles on Livermore Avenue, Second Street, J and K Streets and in front of the Vine Theater.

The Banners were painted by our outstanding local talent and this year's banners celebrate our local arts community with the theme "Art Lives Here". Maps of the "Banner Walk" can be picked up at Livermore Downtown Inc., 2060 Second Street or at many of the businesses downtown including Art!Space, 133 South Livermore Avenue, Way Up Art and Frame, 1912 Second Street, Thompson Gallery, 2241 First Street, Café Art, 1764 First Street and Art D'Cor, 2187 First Street. The Banner Walk Map can also be downloaded from our website at www.livermoredowntown.com. This map provides you with an excellent outdoor art gallery experience, allowing you to look at the exceptional talent of our local artists. Their names are listed on the map so you will have the opportunity to seek out additional works that they may have available at one of our downtown galleries. This stroll can be a wonderful start to the day on your early morning walk or the perfect compliment to an incredible dinner in one of our outstanding restaurants.

To further celebrate the local art community, the 2007 Art Banner Auction will be held on October 13th immediately following "All The World's A Stage: The Bard, Baritones & Bassoons" a gala evening with Shakespeare's Associates, Livermore Valley Opera and the Livermore-Amador Symphony at the newly opened Bankhead Theater. The gala will begin at 8PM and the Banner Auction will immediately follow the event at 10PM in the lobby of the Bankhead Theater. As in year's past the Auction will celebrate local visual, culinary and wine art. Taste delicious culinary works of art and try some of our local wine art as you visit with the Banner artists and performers from the gala. This is your opportunity to purchase one of the 2007 Art Banners so that you can own a little piece of Livermore Art History for your home, garden or office! These banners are an excellent memento of this time in our history where theater and art truly call Livermore home. Tickets for the event will be sold through the Livermore Valley Performing Arts Center box office at (925) 373-6800.

Funds raised from the Banner Auction will benefit the Livermore Downtown Inc. Art Fund, which will be donated to a downtown art project to be determined next year.

For more information on the 2007 Art Banner Project and the Art Banner Auction please contact Livermore Downtown Inc. at (925) 373-1795.