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Hundreds of School Children Enjoy Florida History Set to Music

Destin, Florida – February 25, 2015 –Through an education grant awarded by the Gulf Power Foundation, Mattie Kelly Arts Foundation's All Kinds of Art (AKA) program presented "Tales of Legendary Florida: 500 Years of History Through Music and Art" to over 750 students in four Okaloosa and Walton county schools.

Hailed as a "flutist of rare gifts" by the New York Times, Donna Wissinger, accompanied by pianist and storyteller, Joy Myers, they traced the history of Florida from the arrival of Ponce de Leon, the building of Henry Flagler's Florida East Coast Railway to Key West in the early 1900s through music and still-life paintings of Jackson Walker. Wissinger's acclaimed solo recitals include the main stages of Carnegie Hall and the renowned Glinka Capella as well as concert tours of Europe, the USA, and Asia.

MKAF CEO, Marcia Hull, stated "All Kinds of Art is funded through private donations, civic organizations and grants to fill the void where arts education is severely limited to children of our community. This program would not have been possible without the grant support of the Gulf Power Foundation to bring culturally enriched experiences to children, regardless of socioeconomic backgrounds."

Since 1995, *All Kinds of Art* has impacted over 265,000 students in over 57 schools in Okaloosa and Walton Counties, including special needs students. Become a "Friend of AKA" today to support future cultural programs by contacting the Mattie Kelly Arts Foundation at (850) 650-2226 or donating directly online at www.mattiekellyartsfoundation.org.