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MATTIE KELLY ARTS FOUNDATION AWARDS & 2015 BOARD INSTALLATION

Destin, Florida – January 22, 2015 - The Mattie Kelly Arts Foundation (MKAF) installed its 2015 Executive Committee and Board of Directors at the January 21st board installation dinner. Serving on the 2015 Executive Committee are Alan Wood, Chairman of the Board, Eric Navarre, Vice Chairman, Matthew Dahlman, Treasurer, Peter Mohlysky, Secretary, Allison Tringas, Education, Rebecca Job, Special Events and Anita Skipper, Membership. The 2015 elected board of directors include Stacey Barrett, Brian Beauchamp, Stacey Brady, Lynn Dugas, Jackie Ely, Donna Fox, Jessica Hathorn, Jennifer Lovell, Melissa Matern, Janna Morrison, Wayne Paul, Jeffrey Rink, Mary Kay Samouce, Alexis Tibbetts and Kathy Whidden.

The foundation's most prestigious award, the Chairman's Sterling Award, was presented to Janna Morrison for her enthusiastic spirit, dedication and vision as the 2013-2014 Special Events Chair. Pamm Scheyd was honored as the Volunteer of the Year for her generous contributions to event planning and fundraising efforts in support of MKAF's mission. Retiring board members Glenn Cooper, Paul Schreiner and Beverly Wilson were recognized for their board service and contributions. MKAF CEO Marcia Hull credited outgoing chairman, Glenn Cooper, for his dedicated board service and numerous accomplishments from 2009-2014. He was instrumental in many aspects of the success of MKAF, including project manager in overseeing and completing the capital improvement of Phase 1B and his passion for music in securing the performing artists at Concerts in the Village and other cultural presentations at the Mattie Kelly Cultural Arts Village. Cooper will continue serving on the MKAF Advisory Committee.

The 2015 Board Chairman, Alan Wood's remarked, "This year marks the 20th anniversary of Mattie Kelly Arts Foundation. Over the past two decades the Foundation has been a constant companion of cultural arts and education in Northwest Florida. As your 2015 Chairman, I will strive to continue to uphold the Foundation's reputation as a leading advocate for the arts in our community. I am honored to work in tandem with such an amazing team of board and staff members in bringing quality cultural programs, broadening the All Kinds of Art education mission and to continue growing membership to reach more families in the community."

Since 1995, the Mattie Kelly Arts Foundation has inspired over 265,000 children in over 57 schools, including children with special needs. For more information on MKAF events and education programs or membership and volunteer opportunities, please contact the Mattie Kelly Arts Foundation at 650-2226 or visit online at www.mattiekellyartsfoundaton.org.