



Turn on Calgary on Valentine's Day at Hotel Arts

(Calgary, AB) - Share the Love this Valentine's Day and turn on young minds to education. "Turn On Calgary", a new Valentine's charity fundraiser, is being held at Hotel Arts on **Saturday, February 14th** beginning at 7pm.

"Turn on Calgary" is in support of **HYTES** (Helping Youth Through Educational Scholarships), an Alberta-based charity that provides scholarships to secondary school students in Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia and Guatemala (250 scholarships have been distributed so far). **HYTES**, a 100-percent volunteer-run organization, is hoping to raise \$30,000 at this event which will provide scholarships to another 85 students. Every dollar raised through **HYTES** initiatives goes straight to helping kids in the developing world to empower themselves, their families and their communities through education.

Hotel Arts is designing a Valentine's Day themed tapas menu with chef attended stations along with decadent desserts by renowned **Hotel Arts Pastry Chef Karine Moulin**. **Cocoa Camino Chocolate** donated by **La Siembra Cooperative**, a Fair Trade certified organization, will also be featured in some of these desserts. All tapas and desserts are included in the ticket price along with one aphrodisiac cocktail created especially for the evening (it is Valentine's Day, after all!). In addition, a cash bar of well-chosen wines and spirits will be available throughout the event.

Round Midnight, a six-piece band, will turn on the music groove with a set list that includes jazz, swing, ballads and Bossa Nova. Surprise entertainers will also turn up the heat between sets.

An extravagant silent auction and terrific door prizes are also available with funds benefiting the different initiatives of **HYTES**. You might find something special for your sweetie on Valentine's Day. **Civilized Adventures**, a Calgary-based company specializing in customized, high-end tours



in remote parts of the world, has provided a trip for two on a scheduled Kenya Summer Departure. Highlights of this amazing adventure include: spectacular wildlife viewing; safari in world-famous parks & reserves such as Samburu and the Masai Mara; a visit to Sweetwaters Chimpanzee Sanctuary; luxury tented camps and safari lodges; domestic flights and, finally, a wrap up to your safari at the exclusive Turtle Bay Beach Club. The whole experience also includes traveling with a naturalist from the **Calgary Zoo**. More information on Civilized Adventures can be found online at www.civilizedadv.com and bidding on this amazing adventure at the silent auction begins at \$13,000.00.

To learn more about "Turn On Calgary" and to book your tickets for this **Valentine's Day** event at **Hotel Arts**, please visit www.turnoncalgary.org. To learn more about **HYTES**, please visit their website at www.hytes.org or contact Janet and Harold Pliszka at (403) 252-7971 or via email at info@hytes.org.

Hotel Arts is Calgary's premiere designer boutique-style hotel with 175 upscale rooms and suites, two award-winning restaurants (**Raw Bar** and **Saint Germain**), a brand new ballroom (9,400 sq ft) and home to the soon-to-be opened Hotel Arts Galleria with an array of new retail tenants including Starbucks, Hedkandi Salon, Blokes Clothing, Boutik and Taste Martini Bar. To learn more about Hotel Arts and its other properties, the **Kensington Riverside Inn**, **Chef's Table Restaurant** and **Olives Restaurant**, please contact Fraser Abbott, Director of Sales & Marketing at (403) 266-7678 or via email at fabbott@hotelarts.ca.



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