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## **VINTAGE PARIS TO HOST ART AUCTION TO BENEFIT DISCOVERY ARTS "ARTS ADVENTURES" PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN AT ST. JOHN'S CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL**

*Vintage Paris in Hollister, Missouri will host an Art Auction of pieces from local artists and art from Discovery Arts' Children on March 19, 2011*

Springfield, MO – March 14, 2011 -- Vintage Paris Coffee and Wine Café in Hollister, Missouri will host an Art Auction of pieces from local artists' and art from Discovery Arts' patients on March 19, 2011 beginning at 4PM. "We will have art from local artists as well as art from our Discovery Arts kids. There will be live music and slideshows and videos of Discovery Arts' Art Adventure programs from St John's Children's Hospital", said Discovery Arts Program Coordinator Katie Cline.

Founded by entertainment industry professionals, Discovery Arts, is a 501(c)(3) non profit organization that brings music, art, dance and drama to children who are in the hospital receiving treatment for cancer, serious blood disorders and life threatening illness and currently serves over 3,500 children and their families each year, including St. John's Hospital in Springfield, MO.

"Art Adventure" programs by Discovery Arts are new to the area and are being facilitated by Katie Cline, a local resident and cast member of Peter Pan. Ms. Cline was introduced to the Arts Adventure Programs by Discovery Arts' Spokesperson Cathy Rigby during Rigby's six week Peter Pan production in Branson, MO Fall 2010.

Discovery Arts programs are at [Mattel Children's Hospital at UCLA](#), [Children's Hospital of Orange County](#), [Miller Children's Hospital](#), [Jonathan Jaques Children's Cancer Center at Millers](#), [CHOC at Mission](#) and [Fountain Valley Regional Medical Center](#), in California and now are available to local children at St. John's Children's Hospital in Springfield, MO. All of Discovery Arts programs and services are free of charge to the hospitals, patients and their families, relying on the generosity of individuals, corporations, and fundraisers such as the Art Auction being held on Saturday March 19<sup>th</sup> at Vintage Paris Coffee and Wine Café, located at 260 *Birdcage Walk Hollister, MO 65672*

(417) 239-0399.

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The National Cancer Institute states, "Children with cancer have enormous emotional needs, they need a safe place to express their feelings about their illness; they need relief from the pain and chaos of critical illness; they desperately need fun and normalcy". For more information on the treatment of children with cancer see: <http://www.cancer.gov/cancertopics/youngpeople>

Proceeds of the Art Auction will go to benefit the local Discovery Arts Programs. Discovery Arts is also seeking Sponsors for "A Day in the Playroom", and monthly Partners, for the programs in Missouri. Local residents of Springfield and Branson, MO are encouraged to participate by donating their talents and partnering with Discovery Arts with donations that will enable the programs to flourish. Tax deductible donations enable Discovery Arts to reach more children during a difficult time in their young lives.

### **JOIN DISCOVERY ARTS' CIRCLE OF FRIENDS:**

Your support of just \$15 a month will help bring "Arts Adventures" to a child with cancer, serious blood disorder or life threatening illness while they are in the hospital receiving treatment. Donations are graciously accepted online at: <http://www.discoveryarts.org/make-a-donation.html>

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#### **About Discovery Arts:**

Discovery Arts was created in 1993 by a dedicated group of entertainment industry professionals who began volunteering their time and talents to bring music, dance, art and drama to children with cancer, serious blood disorders and life threatening illness while they are in the hospital receiving treatment.



In recognition of the powerful impact of the arts on these children, Discovery Arts was formally incorporated as a 501(c)(3) non-profit agency in 1998 with a mission to expand the delivery of "Arts Adventures" to many more children in many more hospitals. All of Discovery Arts programs and services are offered free of charge to the hospitals, patients and their families.

Website: [www.discoveryarts.org](http://www.discoveryarts.org)

Photos, Public Service Announcements and press details can be found on Discovery Arts' Press Kit at: <http://myPPK.com/get/discoveryarts>