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Vinos, Tapas y Arte 2009—Annual Fundraiser Offers Food, Wine, Art and History!

Vintners, restaurants, and artists confirmed for September 26th event

Community leaders Roger Aceves and Sheila McGinity named Honorary Co-Chairs



(Santa Barbara, CA) – The Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation (SBTHP) proudly presents the **4th annual “Vinos, Tapas y Arte” on Saturday, September 26, 2009, from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the historic social center of Santa Barbara—Casa de la Guerra.** A festive décor will invite guests into a series of food, wine and art stations placed throughout the grounds of Casa de la Guerra. Several fine restaurants will be donating delicious appetizers, superb wineries will be pouring

selections of their finest vintages, and talented local artists will be donating their work for exhibition and sale.

Featuring live music—guests have the opportunity to enjoy fine food and wine, purchase from a fantastic selection of local art and bid on auction items as they stroll through the Casa courtyard.

Casa de la Guerra has been at the heart of Santa Barbara’s history since its construction in the 1820s. Built by Presidio Comandant José de la Guerra, the Casa was the economic, political and social center of the *pueblo* of Santa Barbara. Today the restored home is a museum featuring original furnishings, a history of the De la Guerra family, and unique rotating exhibits – including the new *Touring Santa Barbara through the Magic Lantern: Images from the Pearl Chase Collection, 1915-1926* (on display through January 31, 2010).

The cost per-person is \$100 (\$75 tax-deductible). Patron opportunities are available. *Vinos, Tapas y Arte* is just one of many ways SBTHP seeks to increase community awareness and raise funds to support its mission to preserve, restore, reconstruct and interpret historic sites in Santa Barbara County. **To purchase tickets or for more information contact SBTHP at (805) 965-0093 or visit www.sbthp.org**

Featured Wineries: Alma Rosa Winery & Vineyards, Bridlewood Estate Winery, Buttonwood Farm Winery, Byron Wines, Cambria Winery & Vineyards, HdV Hyde Vineyards, Lucas & Lewellen Vineyards, and Sweeney Canyon Vineyard.

Featured Restaurants: Brook E Culinary Artist, Central Coast Culinary, Omni Fresco Catering, and The Melting Pot.



Santa Ines Mission Mills by BJ Stapen

Featured Artists: Jamee Aubrey, Susan Belloni, Chris Chapman, Pedro De La Cruz, Holli Harmon, Blair Harper, Jeremy Harper, John Iwerks, Larry Iwerks, Lori Lenz, Meggi MacKenzie, Lizabeth Madal, Cree Mann, Thomas Mann, Margaret Nadeau, Peter Gino Niederer, Jerilynne Nibbe, Chris Potter, John Rowbottam, Kim Snyder, B.J. Stapen, Rich Untermann, Thomas Van Stein, and Lynn Weber.

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CALENDAR LISTING

Vinos, Tapas y Arte

A special event supporting the Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation

DATE & TIME

Saturday, September 26, 2009

3:00 to 6:00 PM

WHERE

Casa de la Guerra

15 East De la Guerra Street

Santa Barbara, CA 93101

TICKET COST

\$100

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Visit www.sbthp.org or call (805) 965-0093

SHORT DESCRIPTION

Join the SB Trust for Historic Preservation for the 4th annual *Vinos, Tapas y Arte* at Casa de la Guerra. Enjoy delicious appetizers, superb wines, live and silent auction items and talented local art for exhibition and sale.

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ABOUT Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation (SBTHP)— Since 1963 the Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation has worked to protect, preserve, restore, reconstruct, and interpret historic sites in Santa Barbara County. SBTHP operates El Presidio de Santa Bárbara State Historic Park under a unique agreement with California State Parks and recently purchased the building that housed Jimmy's Oriental Gardens restaurant, providing an opportunity to interpret the history of Santa Barbara's Asian American community. SBTHP owns, has restored and operates as an historic house museum Casa de la Guerra, the 1820s home of Presidio Comandante José de la Guerra and his family. In 2008, SBTHP signed an agreement with State Parks to operate and develop the Santa Inés Mission Mills, located near the town of Solvang, as a future California State Park. Learn more about SBTHP at www.sbthp.org.

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