

# Friends of Dogwood Fundraising Efforts – Atlanta Dogwood Festival

## Complete With Special Access to Preview Event and Hospitality Tent at Festival

ATLANTA, Ga., March 20 (SEND2PRESS NEWSWIRE) – For its 72nd year, the Atlanta Dogwood Festival has added Friends of Dogwood Events that will allow festival goers to enjoy a private restaurant tasting, beverage samples and even access to private restrooms during the festival. The perks continue throughout the year with a variety of Friends of Dogwood events and partnerships with other organizations.



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### WHAT:

Dogwood Festival Artist Preview Event and Weekend Access to Friends of Dogwood Private Tent

### WHEN:

Artist Preview Event: Thursday, April 3 onsite within the Finlandia Art Bar, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Tickets include: Sneak preview of more than 100 of the exhibiting artists, light hors d'oeuvres, Cabot Cheese sampling, 2 beer/wine drink tickets and more!

Friends of Dogwood Hospitality Tent Access: Friday-Sunday

Restaurant Sampling: Friday 2 – 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday 1 – 4 p.m.

Limited Tickets: \$30 per person for access to EITHER the Artist Preview Event OR one of the Friends of Dogwood events (April 4 – 6)

\$50 per person for access to April 3 Preview Event and Friday, Saturday OR Sunday Access to Friends of Dogwood Hospitality Tent at festival

### Friends of Dogwood Hospitality tickets include:

- \* Sampling from some of Atlanta's favorite restaurants including: Maggianos, Roy's and other local favorites.
- \* Cheeses presented by Cabot Cheese
- \* 2 Beer/Wine Drink Tickets
- \* Annual Membership to Friends of Dogwood Program including invitations to year-round events and discounted tickets to partner cultural events
- \* Access to private restrooms onsite at the Atlanta Dogwood Festival
- \* Chair massage services during the festival

Tickets available at [www.dogwood.org](http://www.dogwood.org) or by calling 404-817-6642

**WHERE:**

Lenox Square

Artist Preview Event will take place in the Finlandia Art Bar.

Friday-Sunday Friends of Dogwood will have access to the Friends of Dogwood VIP Tent.

**WHO:**

With the Thursday night preview and onsite VIP tent, the Atlanta Dogwood Festival inaugurates a new chapter in the Friends of Dogwood history. Beginning during the festival and lasting throughout the year, the Atlanta Dogwood Festival will sponsor ongoing events and partner with cultural events around the city to raise funds and awareness for the festival and arts in Atlanta more broadly. Annual memberships to Friends of Dogwood are available and include access to special Dogwood events as well as discounts to partnering events.

The 72nd Atlanta Dogwood Festival recognizes the generosity of the following sponsors: Fetzer, Finlandia, Brand Atlanta, Coca-Cola, Publix, ZonePerfect, Comcast, 11Alive, Georgia Lottery, Maybelline, Smoothie King, Starbucks, Music Matters, Select Comfort, Sensodyne, HUD, Crunch Fitness, Flying Biscuit, BlackBerry, Hills Science Diet and Man's Best Friend.

The 72nd Annual Atlanta Dogwood Festival takes place April 4, 5 and 6, 2008 at the new site, the outdoor forecourt at Lenox Square, conveniently located near the Lenox and Buckhead MARTA stations. The Atlanta Dogwood Festival is a 501-3c non-profit organization dedicated to providing the annual springtime celebration of arts and entertainment. The festival offices are located at 887 West Marietta Street, Studio S-105, Atlanta, Georgia 30318. The Atlanta Dogwood Festival can be reached at 404-817-6642 or visited online at [www.dogwood.org](http://www.dogwood.org).

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