



Marin Sonoma Concours d'Elegance Announces Charity Partners

Hospice By The Bay and Boys & Girls Clubs of Marin and Southern Sonoma Counties Named as Beneficiaries for 2012

San Rafael, Calif. (January 31, 2012) - The Marin Sonoma Concours d'Elegance announced today that Hospice By The Bay and Boys & Girls Clubs of Marin and Southern Sonoma Counties will be beneficiaries of the 2012 Marin Sonoma Concours to be held the weekend of May 19 through 20.

According to Concours Chairman, John Nirenstein, "We are very excited to be working with two outstanding charity partners, both of which offer the highest quality of service in their respective fields. The length of time Hospice By The Bay and the Boys & Girls Clubs of Marin and Southern Sonoma Counties have been serving their communities is a testament to each organization's viability and importance. Our selection committee was attracted to the idea of supporting a spectrum of ages, ranging from helping youth develop their potential as citizens to helping adults face end of life needs and decisions. Both organizations are an excellent fit."

Hospice By The Bay, a non-profit, community-based program is the second oldest hospice provider in the United States and the first on the West Coast. According to HBTB CEO Sandra Lew, "Hospice By The Bay is proud to be a beneficiary of the Marin Sonoma Concours d'Elegance again this year. It's a spectacular event for our community to enjoy. We appreciate the Concours Committee's generous support for our caring programs and services for terminally ill patients and their families."

David Solo, President and CEO of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Marin and Southern Sonoma Counties, which serves an average of 766 children in need on a daily basis shared, "We are proud and honored to be associated with the Marin Sonoma Concours d'Elegance event and we are blessed to be a beneficiary. It is a unique opportunity to partner with an organization that truly cares about making a difference in the lives of the young people we serve."

Dates for this year's Marin Sonoma Concours d'Elegance and Tour d'Elegance are Saturday and Sunday, May 19 and 20, 2012. The Tour, a scenic drive through Marin and Sonoma counties, will be held on Saturday, May 19. The Concours will be held on Sunday, May 20 at the Marin Civic Center, and will focus on exceptional automobiles from French coachbuilders through 1950; Italian automobile designers from 1946 through 1979; and Cord in celebration of the 75th anniversary of the last year these extraordinary automobiles were produced. New to the Concours this year is a judged display of vintage British motorcycles, covering all years through 1979. Applications for consideration for both Tour and Concours entry are available online at marinsonomaconcours.org.

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