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**The Gallery Shop at the Palo Alto Art Center Presents...**

**The Second Annual  
STYLE 2006**

*A Magical Art-for-Wear Trunk Show*  
**"CREATIVE Today, CLASSIC Tomorrow"**

**Saturday, April 22, 2006 / 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**



PALO ALTO, Calif. – March 27, 2006 – The Gallery Shop at the Palo Alto Art Center is pleased to present *Style 2006*, a magical art-for-wear trunk show, Saturday, April 22, 2006, 10:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. Now in its second year, the event showcases the extraordinary and contemporary work of over 25 textile clothing, accessory and jewelry designers from throughout the West Coast. Produced by Diane Master, gallery manager for The Gallery Shop at the Palo Alto Art Center and the creative force behind the Palo Alto Clay and Glass Festival, the event will benefit art education programs at the Palo Alto Art Center. The event is open to the public and admission is free for all Art Center Foundation members/\$10.00 for non-members (tax-deductible). Palo Alto's Coupa Cafe will sell gourmet coffee and lunch items. A special champagne brunch celebrating Style 2006 will be held the morning of the event for Patron-level members and above from 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

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"Due to the success of last year's event, we are welcoming back many participating designers and artists including April Higashi, Anya, Jean Cacicedo, Ana Lisa Hedstrom and Mark Thomas," said Diane Master, event producer and manager of The Gallery Shop. "This event attracts those familiar with art-for-wear fashions and the artist designers who are all leaders in their areas of the wearable art movement. And, the event certainly attracts 'fashionistas' of all ages looking for one-of-a-kind couture," she added.

Style 2006 is also expanding its artistic design focus into other wearable art areas and will showcase new designers including Lulu and their colorful collection of children's apparel, millinery/hat designer, Jasmin Zorlu, and handbag and accessory designer, Kisim. Textile designer Marla Duran, who recently appeared on Bravo's "Project Runway" this season, will show her beautiful wearable clothing inspired by Asian and vintage designs. Acclaimed contemporary jewelry designer Abrasha, whose work is on permanent display at the Renwick Gallery, Smithsonian American Art Museum in Washington, DC, will also show his work. Additional descriptions of all featured artists and digital images are available upon request.

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The mission of the Palo Alto Art Center Foundation, a private nonprofit 501(c)(3) ([www.paacf.org](http://www.paacf.org)) organization founded 1973, is to support the mission and goals of the [Palo Alto Art Center](#), promote unique art experiences and education for people of all ages, and serve as the Art Center's advocate and ambassadors in the community. The mission of the Art Center (founded 1971) is to foster creative process and thought by forging a greater appreciation and understanding of the visual arts through exhibitions, studio experiences, and related educational programs. The Foundation, through its fundraising efforts, enables the Art Center to offer innovative educational experiences for children and adults, produce high-profile exhibitions and catalogues, pay artists equitable participation fees, and broaden its audience to serve the community as a truly regional art center.

The Palo Alto Art Center, Division of Arts and Culture, City of Palo Alto, is funded in part by support from the Palo Alto Art Center Foundation and the Arts Council Silicon Valley, in partnership with the County of Santa Clara and the California Arts Council. The Center is open to the public without charge from 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday; 1:00-5:00 p.m. Sunday; and 7:00-10:00 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday. The Center is located at 1313 Newell Road, Palo Alto, CA 94303. For further information: Phone: 650.329.2366 / Email: [artcenter@city.paloalto.ca.us](mailto:artcenter@city.paloalto.ca.us) / Website: [www.cityofpaloalto.org](http://www.cityofpaloalto.org).