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CULINART: A FANTASY OF THE HEALING ARTS

Gala Hosted by The Wright House Wellness Center and Produced by ISES/ Austin Chapter

[The ISES Austin Chapter](#), an organization of individuals who are dedicated to deliver creative excellence and professionalism in special events, is proud to present **2010 CulinART** benefitting **The Wright House Wellness Center** - a local non-profit that offers care, resources, education and empowerment to Central Texans living with or at risk of HIV and other chronic illnesses.

[2010 CulinART](#) will be held on Thursday March 11th, 2010 from 6pm to 11pm at the Hyatt Regency - 208 Barton Springs, Austin TX 78704. This annual event is produced by the event professionals of the Austin Chapter of the International Special Event Society (ISES). The theme for the evening is "**Nature's Labyrinth**". The gala will feature aspects of our planet's four natural elements - earth, air, fire and water. Guests may look forward to signature cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and a four-course plated dinner as well as silent, live, and fine art auctions. A live band, interactive chef demonstrations and whimsical artistry will entertain throughout the evening.

This award winning annual gala brings together the best of the best in the Austin event industry for an ethereal experience that truly defies the imagination. Marquee Event Group and Premiere Party Central will showcase their artistic talent by creating high-end and unique décor & design for this enchanting evening which will set the tone for an incredible four-course dinner produced by an all-star team of acclaimed local celebrity chefs. Cannoli Joe's Chef **Robert Hauser** who has worked side by side at Le Cirque with Chef **Daniel Boulud** will whip up a taste of Italy with his Shrimp Agnolotti to begin the meal. Then, the Hyatt's Executive Chef **Javier Ortiz** draws from his Latin roots to hand-craft mouthwateringly spicy hors d'oeuvres as well as to demonstrate a classic poultry dish for the second course. **Skeeter Miller**, President and Owner of The County Line Bar-B-Q Restaurants who has been featured on the Food Network, will take on the third course, demonstrating how to prepare his Pepper Jack Stuffed Pork Tenderloin. Finally, Whole Foods is proud to have Pastry Chef **Christy Hughes**, winner of the 2008 National Association of Catering Executives Chef Competition, present a sweet and fiery decadent dessert. Join us in this celebration of giving. Proceeds will benefit The Wright House Wellness Center (501©3 non-profit), so your donation is tax

deductible to the highest extent the law allows. [Purchase advance tickets \(\\$100\), Become a Sponsor, or Donate an Auction item.](#)

[Video footage of 2009 CulinART](#)

The Wright House Wellness Center (WHWC): Since 1988, WHWC has helped people living with chronic illnesses make healthier life-style choices, delay disease progression and improve quality of life, as well as provide the tools to prevent disease for those at risk. It offers a Disease Management Program which includes outreach, case management, food pantry and nutrition services, mental health services, and complementary health therapies for persons living with HIV/AIDS and Hepatitis C. Its Disease Prevention and Education Program includes HIV/Hepatitis C testing and education, evidenced-based prevention models, case management, and support groups. WHWC is a 501(c) 3 non-profit organization funded by a combination of private and public sources and receives monetary and in-kind support from a variety of individuals and organizations. Dedicated volunteers donate their time and talents to ensure that programs and services are available to clients of WHWC. Most of the services provided by WHWC are free to clients. Other services are offered on a sliding scale based on income, or are offered at a reduced flat fee. WHWC was awarded the 2007 award for **Best Non-Profit Group** in Austin by the Austin Chronicle.

<http://www.thewrighthouse.org>

*There will be one complimentary media pass distributed per source. The media representative using the pass will be expected to cover the event.

