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Event: Triangle Arts Mixer
Date: November 20, 2009
Time: 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM
Venue: The Cotton Room at Golden Belt
807 East Main Street
Durham, NC 27701
*Free admission and parking

CAM/now, Golden Belt and The Cotton Room at Golden Belt are proud to announce the inaugural Triangle Arts Mixer, an evening for arts organizations, arts supporters, and artists of all disciplines to mix, mingle, and find new ways to activate and advance the Triangle arts scene. The event will feature a broad network of area arts organizations and young professional arts groups ready to engage individuals looking to get involved, learn more or become members.

“The Triangle has a growing appetite for a variety of artistic traditions. This enthusiasm has contributed to the rise in arts-related organizations and the growth of the area’s creative class. CAM/now felt that it was time to celebrate this movement and conceived of the first-ever Triangle Arts Mixer,” said Nicole Welch, Curator of Education for CAM.

The free Triangle Arts Mixer will be held as part of Third Friday Durham, hosted by Golden Belt, CAM/now, and The Cotton Room. The evening will feature music by dj Yes! Sputnik, light food, and a cash bar in the spectacular, newly-opened event venue—The Cotton Room. In a true celebration of the arts, the Mixer is complemented by other activities also happening on Golden Belt’s campus this Third Friday: the opening of a new exhibition from elin o’Hara slavick, *Hiroshima: After Aftermath* in ROOM 100; the experiential, traveling *Council Project* in Building 6; the opening of *Natural Selection*, the latest show in LabourLove Gallery; and the always-packed open artist studios in Building 3 with a special welcome to new Durham Art Guild Artist-in-Residence, Dave Alsobrooks and the culmination of works by visiting Virginia Artist-in-Residence Yonsenia White with *The Obama Effect*.

Participating arts groups as of November 9, 2009 include: CAM/now, Artspace, Carolina Ballet, NC Symphony, Full Frame Documentary Film Festival, Carolina Theatre, NC Museum of Art’s Contemporaries, Code f.a.d. Company, and Arts NC State. Additional arts organizations interested in participating may contact Nicole Welch at nicole_welch@ncsu.edu no later than Friday, November 13th.

Art enthusiasts will not want to miss this unique opportunity to interact with art organizations and other members of the Triangle community that share a common purpose and passion for the arts.

ABOUT CAM/now

CAM/now is a membership group for young professionals dedicated to broadening an understanding of and encouraging conversation related to contemporary art and culture in the greater Triangle community. It seeks to cultivate future leadership for the Contemporary Art

Museum by nurturing the next generation of art collectors and contemporary art supporters. Through events, the group supports the greater mission of CAM by providing its members with a wealth of social and educational activities created by and for their peers. More information on the Contemporary Art Museum is available online at www.cam.ncsu.edu.

ABOUT THE COTTON ROOM AT GOLDEN BELT

Featuring innovative cuisine, expert planning and inspired décor, The Cotton Room at Golden Belt is an all-inclusive event venue in downtown Durham from the owners of Triangle Catering. The Cotton Room opened its doors after an extensive renovation in October 2009 and is currently accepting reservations. For more information, please visit www.thecottonroomdurham.com or email info@thecottonroomdurham.com.

ABOUT GOLDEN BELT

Former home to the Golden Belt Manufacturing Company, the 155,000 square foot, seven-acre, LEED-registered campus in downtown Durham is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and includes six architecturally-significant buildings that house thirty-seven live/work residential lofts, thirty-five artist studios, a central gallery, a live music venue, event space, boutique retail stores, restaurants, and office space. This urban arts campus is at the epicenter of the growing arts-related critical mass in Durham's downtown. Since its opening in July 2008, Golden Belt has become a go-to, must-have place for creative pursuits, cultural events and a hip lifestyle in the Triangle. Golden Belt is located at 807 E. Main Street, Durham, NC 27701.

For more information about Golden Belt, visit www.goldenbeltarts.com or contact Marketing Director Allison Polish by e-mail at allison.polish@scientificproperties.com or by phone at 919-967-7700 x155.