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We are excited to announce that the 10th Annual Art from the Heart Art Exhibit and Auction will be held on Thursday, May 10, 2012. We would like to invite your art students to participate in this event by submitting their artwork to the student artwork competition. Proceeds from the Art from the Heart fundraiser benefit ChildSafe, Bexar County's only Children's Advocacy Center that works to restore dignity, trust, and hope to children traumatized by sexual abuse.

In February, we will begin collecting all the artwork from those students who would like to participate. We encourage a wide variety of media, including photography and sculpture. However, due to the nature of the work done at ChildSafe, artwork of a sexual nature will not be considered. All experience levels are welcome, from elementary school through high school. We are asking for a minimum of 5-15 pieces of artwork from each age group in your school (elementary, middle, and high school.) A fantastic panel of local artists and community members will select approximately 50 pieces of student artwork from all the pieces submitted. The pieces selected by this panel will then be presented by ChildSafe for sponsorship by businesses and members of the community. Those pieces of artwork not chosen will be returned to you along with a certificate of participation and appreciation for the student. ChildSafe is responsible for the framing or appropriate display of the selected pieces. Teachers and students whose work is chosen will receive one complimentary ticket to the Art from the Heart event and will be able to purchase additional tickets for their families at a discounted price of \$25. These teachers and students will be honored at the event on May 10, 2012.

More details are coming, but we wanted to give you a broad overview of what we have planned for this year's Art from the Heart "Kids Creating for Kids" art exhibit, raffle and silent auction. If you have any questions about the event or the competition, don't hesitate to contact us or Toni Kyle, Volunteer Coordinator at ChildSafe, at tonik@childsafesa.org. If you would like to participate in Art from the Heart 2012, please email Kristin Graham (kristin.shea@sbcglobal.net) or Erik Aagaard (eaagaard@thetrustcompany.com) and let us know of your interest.

Thank you for encouraging your students to participate and we look forward to working with you!

Sincerely yours,

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