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## Fine arts the focus of festival at La Encantada

*S. Ariz. Arts and Cultural Alliance event on Nov. 7, 8 to feature renowned artists, performers*

Oct. 27, 2009 — The Southern Arizona Arts and Cultural Alliance (SAACA) on Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 7 and 8, will hold its second-annual ArtsFest at La Encantada, featuring works by some of the finest artisans the region and nation has to offer.

Admission to the festival is free and open to the public. The event runs from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days.

Artists and their works will fill the shaded courtyards and passageways at La Encantada, 2905 E. Skyline Drive. Among the mediums and genres featured at the two-day festival: pastels, oil paintings, watercolors, sculpture, mixed-media, photography, ceramics, jewelry and more.

The event also will include numerous activities for families and children, such as face-painting and various arts and crafts. Several live music and artistic performances are scheduled for both days, including performances by the Tucson Symphony Orchestra brass quartet, the Arizona Opera, Ballet Tucson and the University of Arizona School for Theatre Arts, among others.

*For more information, go online to [www.saaca.org/events-artsfest.html](http://www.saaca.org/events-artsfest.html), or call (520) 797-3959. For more information about La Encantada, go online to [www.laencantadashoppingcenter.com](http://www.laencantadashoppingcenter.com).*

### **About the Southern Arizona Arts and Cultural Alliance**

The Southern Arizona Arts and Cultural Alliance (SAACA) exists to ensure that, through engagement in arts and culture, our communities produce strong, inspired citizens. SAACA enlists artists, businesses, governments, and individuals to expand artistic and cultural opportunities in their respective communities. To enhance access to the arts and to promote cultural awareness in the communities it serves, SAACA presents large-scale festivals, events and other programs. The Alliance also promotes educational opportunities in the arts and culture for both the young and the old. *For more information about the Southern Arizona Arts and Cultural Alliance, go online to [www.saaca.org](http://www.saaca.org).*

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