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**THE INN AT THE ROUND BARN CELEBRATES 20 YEARS  
With Performances, Art Exhibits and Fundraisers**

**Waitsfield, VT** – The Inn at the Round Barn located in Waitsfield, Vermont celebrates their 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a full schedule of summer events dedicated to the arts. The Inn's Joslyn Round Barn is home to the **Green Mountain Cultural Center**, a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the arts in the Mad River Valley.

The **Green Mountain Opera Festival** kicked off the celebration June 12<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>. The production of the *Barber of Seville* deemed such a huge success that next year the festival is planning to expand to three weeks and offer a young artist training program. The 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration continues throughout the summer and fall months with the following programs:

**17<sup>th</sup> Annual Photography Exhibit** – The Inn at the Round Barn will host a five week juried photography exhibit in the Joslyn Round Barn from July 30<sup>th</sup> – September 4<sup>th</sup>. A panel of judges will select five winners to display their work in the prestigious Art in the Round Barn show in September. The exhibit will be open to the public daily from 10:00 am – 5:00 pm. There is no daily entrance fee but donations are appreciated at the door. For more information call 802-496-7722.

**Sculpture Stroll** – In conjunction with the Vermont Festival of the Arts, the Inn at the Round Barn will invite visitors August 4<sup>th</sup> through August 27<sup>th</sup>, to take a stroll through the property's abundant gardens, ponds and woodlands. More than 35 different sculptures will be on display throughout the grounds. The stroll is free to the public, donations are welcome. Call 802-496-7722 for more information.

**The Adamant Music School Concert** – Piano students from the Adamant Music School will give their final concert of the season at the Joslyn Round Barn August 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. The Adamant School was founded in 1942 as a peaceful refuge for New York City piano students and today is considered to be one of the most premier centers for piano study in the Northeast. Tickets for the concert are \$15.00. To purchase tickets call 802-496-7722.

**Art in the Garden Tour** – Discover the beauty of the Mad River Valley's many gardens and picturesque landscapes. While visiting the gardens, stop to watch as artists capture the natural splendor of the Mad River Valley's rolling hills and lush gardens in their own unique way. The tour runs from 8:30 am – 4:00 pm and features a luncheon at the Inn at the Round Barn. Acclaimed chef, Charlie Menard will cater the lunch in the Inn's perennial gardens. Tours will take place August 14<sup>th</sup> and August 16<sup>th</sup>. Tickets for the tour are \$40 and include lunch. To purchase tickets call 802-496-6682.

**Localvore Lecture with founder Jessica Prentice** – August 23<sup>rd</sup> from 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm, Jessica Prentice will discuss the growing disconnections from our food sources and her passion for locally grown humanely raised foods and traditional cooking methods. The lecture will take place at the Inn at the Round Barn's Joslyn Round Barn. Donations are recommended at the door. Call 802-496-3567 for more information.

**2006 Juried Art in the Round Barn** – Artists from around New England will display their work in the Joslyn Round Barn from September 24<sup>th</sup> – October 9<sup>th</sup>. Thousands of visitors toured the exhibit last year purchasing many of the fine pieces displayed in the show. The annual kick-off reception will take place from 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm on September 24<sup>th</sup>. Visitors will be able to enjoy a meet-and-greet with the artists. From September 25<sup>th</sup> –

October 9<sup>th</sup>, the exhibit will be open to the public from 9:30 am – 5:00 pm. (*Times subject to vary on weekends – please call ahead at 802-496-7722.*)

**A Taste of the Valley Fundraiser** – The Inn at the Round Barn’s catering company, *Cooking from the Heart*, will host **A Taste of the Valley** on August 7<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm as a fundraiser for the Vermont Festival of the Arts. Restaurants from around the Mad River Valley will be represented in booths throughout the Round Barn property for guests to sample a variety of dishes. Fundraiser tickets are \$35 per person and include vouchers for the booths. To purchase tickets call 802-496-6682.

*Located on 245 acres of Vermont mountains, meadows, and ponds in the beautiful Mad River Valley, lies the historic Round Barn Farm, a four season vacation retreat for lovers of the arts, history, the outdoors, and Vermont bed & breakfast escapes. The historic Round Barn, built in 1910 and renovated in 1988, is a magnificent venue playing host to community events, weddings, concerts, art exhibits, and conferences. It is also home to renowned catering company, **Cooking from the Heart**. The Inn at the Round Barn is a proud member of the **Professional Association of Innkeepers International**, the **Select Registry**, and is recognized for its environmental commitments as a **Green Hotel in the Green Mountain State**. The Inn at the Round Barn was a founding member of both the **Vermont Association of Wedding Professionals** and the **Vermont Fresh Network**. For more information, visit [www.theroundbarn.com](http://www.theroundbarn.com).*

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