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**AYUDA FOR THE ARTS CELEBRATES “A FASHIONABLE TASTE OF NEW YORK” WITH CELEBRITY CHEFS, RAISING FUNDS FOR FUTURE ARTISTS**

**Prince George Ballroom, New York City, New York - November 9, 2009**

**New York, NY, October 20, 2009** - AYUDA for the Arts presents “A Fashionable Taste of New York” an evening of food, fashion and fun. The celebrity-filled event features culinary creations from dozens of New York area’s finest restaurants and top chefs preparing signature dishes.

“A Fashionable Taste of New York” will take place at the Prince George Ballroom, 15 E. 27th St. on Monday, November 9th from 6:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

Proceeds from the evening’s event will go toward scholarships and programs to help creative students from our urban communities develop their artistic potential, enabling them to make significant contributions to our society through the arts.

James Taratunio, President and Co-Founder of AYUDA for the Arts stated, “We are proud to provide assistance so promising artists can fulfill their educational pursuits. “A Fashionable Taste of New York” not only allows us to serve our mission, but also have a great time while helping others.”

At the event, AYUDA for the Arts will honor Tina Ramirez, Founder of Ballet Hispanico; Award-winning celebrity chef Art Smith; and Kent Tritle, Master Conductor/Professor and Organist with the New York Philharmonic with a Guiding Star award for their contributions to the arts and humanitarian efforts.

Good Day New York’s Mike Woods and Ines Rosales will MC the program, with celebrity chefs from the Food Network and The Next Iron Chef preparing their favorite dishes. Priceless auction items and thousands of dollars worth of raffle prizes will be available. Artwork and fashion designs created by former scholarship recipients will also be on display and available for purchase. In a rare appearance, renowned artist Billi Kid will create a signature piece live at the event that will be auctioned immediately following its completion.

The Alliance for Young Urban Design and the Arts (AYUDA for the Arts) is a non-profit organization dedicated to helping the creative young minds from our urban neighborhoods.

For advanced discount tickets and more information, please visit [www.ayudaforthearts.org](http://www.ayudaforthearts.org).

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