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Hilton Sandestin Beach Hosts Tribute Event for "Blue Dog" Artist George Rodrigue

WHO:

Hilton Sandestin Beach Golf Resort & Spa – the largest full-service beachfront resort and home to the longest-standing AAA Four-Diamond restaurant on Northwest Florida's Gulf Coast.

WHAT:

Hilton Sandestin Beach is partnering with the Mattie Kelly Arts Foundation to host a one-of-a-kind tribute event as part of a national tour for the 1913 Rodrigue Steinway "Blue Dog" Piano. In tribute to internationally renowned artist George Rodrigue, the evening event will feature a live concert featuring five pianists – Sean Dietrich (Jazz), John Ripley (Rock 'n Roll), David Seering (Broadway), Donnie Sundal (Hip Hop & Funk) and Bobby Van Duesen (Ragtime).

In addition to the concert, Chef John Carey has prepared a gourmet menu featuring a variety of culinary stations throughout the Emerald Ballroom. Complimentary wine will be served tableside and there will be a cash bar.

The evening will also feature a Wine Pull and live auction for items such as a private wine dinner with one of the featured Rodrigue tribute pianists, a Louisiana duck hunting trip, a Rodrigue print and a CBS PGA Tour package.

Seats are available for \$150 per person or \$135 for MKAF preferred members. Tables of eight are available to reserve. Proceeds benefit the cultural and educational missions of the Mattie Kelly Arts Foundation and George Rodrigue Foundation for the Arts.

All dinner guests will receive a discounted room rate at Hilton Sandestin Beach starting at \$149. Call 800-367-1271 and mention the code MKA. For more information about the resort or event, visit HiltonSandestinBeach.com or mattiekellyartsfoundation.org.

WHEN:

Thursday, November 7 at 6:30 p.m.

WHERE:

Located at 4000 Sandestin Boulevard South in Destin, Florida, Hilton Sandestin Beach Golf Resort & Spa rests along the sugar-white sands and emerald-green waters of Florida's Northwest Gulf Coast.