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**40th Annual
LIVE OAK PARK FAIR
June 12 & 13, 2010
10am to 6pm
Admission is Free**

*Many New Artists Will Be Featured at North Berkeley's 40th Annual Juried Festival
of One-Of-A-Kind Art & Crafts
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(Berkeley, California – April 29, 2010) – Celebrating its 40th year, this highly anticipated free event features over 100 premier artists and craftspeople showcasing affordable contemporary art, fine crafts, handcrafted jewelry & accessories, couture clothing, handmade quilts & baskets, and a plethora of sculptural and functional objects in clay, fiber, glass, metal and wood. Plus, your entire family will enjoy a delicious array of festive food and drink along with continuous entertainment for both adults and kids.

Live Oak Park is located at 1301 Shattuck Ave. and Berryman Street in North Berkeley. Throughout the weekend, free shuttles run every 30 minutes from Downtown Berkeley and North Berkeley BART Stations to the Fair. The park, with its huge trees rolling lawns and a creek running through it, is picturesque and also wheelchair accessible.

This year's new artists include: Brad Adams (sculptures created from local trees that have succumbed to wind, disease, or urban expansion), Adamson Fused Glass, Sean's Celtic Creations, Laughing Fish Studios (one-of-a-kind fish prints & fine art gourds), O' Lover Hats, Holly Garbutt Designs (quilts), JB Howell Studio metal works, Claudia Howell (gourds), Njeri (wearable art), Patty Mulligan Photography, FanTaminals (wood puzzles), Rocochet (clothes for children & women made out recycled materials), Rokanimart (pet portraits on beach stone), Kiki Revoir (wearable wool art), Slow Burn Glass, Harper Designs (jewelry), Trager (photography), Kim Korranga (jewelry), Clover Designs, Jannie Ledard (glass), WenlfNotNow (wearable art), Sweet Pea & Rose (textiles), Studio Tabula Rasa (jewelry), Andrew Page Photography, Shelley Rae (jewelry), Scott Roach (wood), Earthart Studios (ceramics), Gabriele Schwibach (printmaking), A Body Beautiful (body products), Schiomo Shuval (wildlife images printed on slate), Cissy Sims (puppets out of socks), Jeff & Jimmie Taylor (ceramics), Whimsy & Tea (weaving/knitting), Bonnie Wells (wearable art), and Lizard Works Glass. Returning artist stars include: Tom Killion (Japanese inspired woodcut prints featuring the natural beauty of California), Vanessa Mellett (jewelry), Hudson River Inlay (inlaid tables & mirrors), Mary Beier (metal etched paintings), Cisco Collection (ceramics), JBW Studio (eggshell dioramas), and Schroen Knives.

This year's new music include: Bear Kittay (natural storyteller in song), Steve Gannon (old-school bluesman) and past favorites including Claudia Russell, Tippy Canoe (4-stringed ukulele with her hook-laden pop-meets-roots voice) and Mikie Lee Prasard (country rhythms and Wildsang's blues-infused folk duets).

Kidzone featuring Jean Paul Valjean, Zappo the Magician, Daniel Da Vinci "The Juggling Genius" – a two-time Guinness world record holder and winner of the International Juggler's Association's Award of Excellence.

The entire family will enjoy a delicious array of festive food from Laurent Le Barbier, Brittany Crepes & Gallettes, and Manny's Taqueria.

Live Oak Park is one of Berkeley's oldest and most naturalistic public parks—with accessible paths winding through groves of magnificent oaks, towering Redwoods and meandering Codornices Creek— providing a perfect setting for one of the Bay Area's favorite summer events.

Live Oak Park Fair offers a unique opportunity to support local artisans and craftspeople while finding excellent values on some of the finest hand-made treasures. Casual browsers and craft aficionados can meet the artists and learn about their work in creating these one-of-a kind items.

What: 40th Annual Live Oak Park Fair

When: Saturday, June 12th and Sunday, June 13th, 2010; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Where: Live Oak Park, 1301 Shattuck Ave. at Berryman Street in North Berkeley, CA 94709. Free shuttles run every 30 minutes from the North Berkeley & Downtown Berkeley BART Stations to the Fair throughout the weekend. The park is wheelchair accessible.

No Cost: Admission is FREE

For Information: Call (510) 227-7110 or visit www.liveoakparkfair.com for more details.

Fair partners include: BART, ACCI Gallery (Arts and Crafts Cooperative, Inc.), North Shattuck Association of Berkeley, Botanical Garden of Berkeley, East Bay Express, Berkeley Art Center and The East Bay Depot for Creative Reuse.

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