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Symphony Guild of Charlotte's Signature Fundraiser Nurtures Young Talent

Back by popular demand, The Symphony Guild of Charlotte returns with another – its 3rd annual -- **Heart of the Home Kitchen Tour** on **Sat.**, **Oct. 15**, **2016**. This premier annual fundraiser actually begins with the **Taste of the Tour** cocktail party on **Oct. 13**, **2016**.

Charlotte Chef Bruce Moffett, owner of Barrington's, Stagioni and Good Food on Montford, and wife Katrina, are the Honorary Chairs of the event. Their beautiful yet understated home kitchen is on tour. "Bruce and I are thrilled to lend our support to the Symphony Guild, and look forward to welcoming the Symphony's supporters into our home," says Katrina Moffett.

The Taste of the Tour Cocktail Party is from 5:30-8:30 p.m., Thurs., Oct. 13th, at the new Ferguson® showroom, 129 W. Summit Ave. in SouthEnd. The party's high-energy vibe will include a preview of the tour -- a duo of dueling chefs, tastings from four other leading chefs and mixologists, music, and a knock-out silent auction. Party tickets are just \$50 per person.

The Heart of the Home Kitchen Tour is Sat., Oct. 15, 2016, from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Eight beautiful homes and their outstanding indoor and outdoor kitchens are showcased on this one-day, self-guided tour. From a contemporary kitchen in Charlotte's most historic carriage house and Chef Moffett's kitchen in South Park, to whimsical kitchens in Dilworth and Myers Park, and two sleek ones in Ballantyne, The Guild has assembled another blockbuster tour.

In addition to viewing the latest in color, design and innovation found in these homes, this sensory-packed day includes tastings from over 24 renowned chefs, product displays, and glorious music from Charlotte Symphony Youth Orchestra musicians. Guests will leave inspired!

Tour tickets are \$25 in advance online at www.kitchentourcharlotte.com and will be mailed to purchasers. Tickets are also available now at Cotswold Marketplace, 200 N. Sharon Amity; Olive This!, 6414 Rea Rd., Piper Glen; Surroundings, Old Town Shopping Ctr., 4100 Carmel Rd.; 32 Flavors Boutique, 224 East Blvd, Ste. B.; and Whole Foods, 6610 Fairview Road. Day-of tickets will be available at any of the featured homes on Oct. 15 for \$30.





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For event details, please visit www.KitchenTourCharlotte.com. For general questions or sponsorship information, please contact Event Co-Chair Barbara Kopald at 704.256.9713 or chefbgk@aol.com. For auction donations, you may contact Auction Co-Chair Sallie Moody at 704.315.8171 or salliemoody01@gmail.com.

Proceeds allow The Symphony Guild to support the Charlotte Symphony and its remarkable Youth Orchestras, including the complete underwriting of a transformational week-long summer residential camp for up to 100 of these talented young musicians from 30 schools in our region.

Since its founding in 1950, The Guild has raised over \$6 million to support the Charlotte Symphony, its Youth Orchestras and The Guild's award-winning youth music education initiatives. In 1972, The Guild began producing the Symphony Guild ASID Showhouse to support not only the Charlotte Symphony but also the residential summer music camp that has nurtured and trained thousands of young musicians since then.

The **2016 Heart of the Home Kitchen Tour** and **Taste of the Tour Party** follow in the footsteps of this grand legacy to keep classical music alive in our region. For more information on The Guild, please go to www.symphonyquildcharlotte.org.

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