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Automobile Alley Continues Tradition with 25 Years of Chocolate Decadence

(OKLAHOMA CITY) – The Automobile Alley Association extends an invitation to the 25th annual Chocolate Decadence. Tickets are on sale now at <u>AutomobileAlley.org</u> for the event taking place Thursday, February 2, 2023, at Leadership Square, 211 N Robinson Ave.

Chocolate Decadence attendees will experience an evening of sweet and savory chocolate dishes from OKC's best restaurants, gourmet coffee, wine, champagne, beer, live music, and more. All proceeds benefit the Automobile Alley Association, which promotes local businesses, awards grants and sponsorships, activates and programs the district with events, placemaking, art, and light displays, cleans and maintains district streets and sidewalks, and advocates on behalf of area stakeholders.

Beyond delectable sweets, the evening will also include a silent auction and raffle along with live music by Take Cover and World On A String Quartet. Silent auctions and raffles will feature an array of items such as staycation packages, tickets to local attractions, gift baskets, gift certificates and opportunities to bid on one-of-a-kind experiences from OKC restaurants and businesses.

In addition to tasting dishes from some of the city's premier restaurants, guests will be able to quench their thirst with wine and bubbles provided by Southern Glazer's Wine and Spirits and craft beer tastings from three of Automobile Alley's breweries: Prairie Artisan Ales, Skydance Brewing Co., and Vanessa House Beer Company.

"Without the funds raised at Chocolate Decadence one of OKC's biggest destinations for the holidays wouldn't be possible-- Automobile Alley's Lights On Broadway," said Randy Kamp of Kamp's 1910 Café, who is also the Automobile Alley Board Chair. "The Alley looks beautiful with all the Christmas lights and the funds raised from Chocolate Decadence help us keep this great event growing and supports our mission of ensuring Auto Alley is a place where the public can come and do business or just have fun."

All proceeds go directly to the Automobile Alley Association, to continue the beloved Lights On Broadway holiday event and light display and support neon sign grants, street amenities, public art, and more.

General admission tickets are \$75 and include food and drink. VIP tickets are \$125 and include garage parking, tickets to use at the cash bar, and an exclusive Auto Alley Swag Bag.

All tickets must be purchased in advance at <u>AutomobileAlley.org</u>. Guests must be 21+ to attend and business or cocktail attire is encouraged. The first 300 guests to arrive are guaranteed to receive a commemorative Chocolate Decadence 2023 etched wine glass.

This year's Chocolate Decadence will feature:

Bad Nonna's Pasta Junction Coffee Skydance Brewing Co.

Broadway 10 Bar & Chophouse Kamps 1910 Café Rodizio Grill Katiebug's Sips & Sweets Red PrimeSteak

Café Disco The Melting Pot Vanessa House Beer Co.

Flamingo Tiki Plant

Harvey Bakery Prairie Artisan Ales

Hideaway Pizza Mickey Mantle's Steakhouse

Sponsors of the event include Automobile Alley Association, Downtown Oklahoma City Partnership, Heartland, Mason Realty Investors, Midtown Renaissance, Stride Bank, and PLENTY Mercantile. For more information, visit AutomobileAlley.org.

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ABOUT AUTOMOBILE ALLEY ASSOCIATION

The Automobile Alley Association is the 501(c)(3) organization whose purpose is to manage and promote the historic Automobile Alley district as a thriving commercial and residential corridor within the urban core. Automobile Alley is part of the Downtown Business Improvement District (BID), which is managed by Downtown Oklahoma City Partnership. The BID delivers street-level amenities, such as street cleaning and trash pickup, and produces events. For more information, visit <u>AutomobileAlley.org</u>.

ABOUT DOWNTOWN OKLAHOMA CITY PARTNERSHIP

Downtown Oklahoma City Partnership (DOKC) is the 501(c)(6) nonprofit urban place management organization whose mission is to create and champion a vibrant and diverse downtown through placemaking, advocacy, and promotion. DOKC also manages and maintains the Downtown Business Improvement District (BID) and fosters an environment of creativity and culture through public art and activation via Downtown OKC Initiatives. The BID delivers street-level amenities such as street cleaning, landscaping and trash pickup, produces events, and provides additional services such as marketing, branding and programming. For more information, visit DowntownOKC.com.