## Winter Delights to showcase wine, jazz, food

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Although the trellises in Michigan's vineyards may well be covered by drifting snows, the Mendel Center at Lake Michigan College will soon offer wine lovers with Michigan vintners and sample the fruits of their labors at the 5th Annual Winter Delights Festival.

"We have 23 Michigan wineries and a few local restaurants that will have booths with foods to taste," said Tonya Martindale, Michigan College Mendel

the Grand Upton Hall of the located at 2755 E. Napier Ave. in Benton Township,

samples and \$10 in food site. tickets."

chased by calling the box Santaniello's by visiting the event's website at www.winterdelights- the

of food tickets. All event- be represented as well. goers must be 21 years or

local food with the wines," Martindale said.

"It's fun to go around to said. "They can answer an additional \$10 each. questions about the wines will also be a lot of different wines as well."

director of conference and will be featured in the festi- opportunity to engage in a event services for the Lake val include local favorites blind taste test in which as well as those from farther afield. Event-goers can The event will be held expect to meet vintners and from 5 to 9 p.m. Jan. 18 in sommeliers from 12 Mendel Center on the Lake Founders Wine Cellar, Michigan College campus, Domaine Berrien Cellars, Leelanau Cellars Winery, Lehman's Orchards, Lemon Creek Winery and White "Tickets are \$35 pre- Pine Winery, just to name a purchase and \$40 at the few. A complete list of pardoor," Martindale said. ticipating wineries can be "That includes 15 wine found on the event's web- albums, including the most

ing on tickets for designat- Catering Services. Piggott's ed drivers is also available. Farm Market & Bakery and These tickets are just \$15, the Michigan State

and they include \$10 worth University Extension will

"Purely Michigan and Lambrecht's Liquors of St. "It's nice to pair some Joseph will also be there with booths," Martindale

For those who would the booths and meet some like to learn even more of the people who are mak- about Michigan wines, two an opportunity to mingle ing the wines," Martindale classes will be offered for

In "Wine 101," certified they've decided to bring to sommelier Jason Forbes the festival. There will be will teach participants how some of the same wines to evaluate wine like a profrom last year, but there fessional in a fun and educational 40-minute seminar. "Judgment of Michigan" Michigan wineries that offers participants the Michigan wines will be set up against California counterparts.

Entertainment during the Corners Vineyards, Baroda festival will be provided by Bryan Lubeck, known for his special blend of Spanish guitar and urban grooves.

"Bryan Lubeck is just amazing," Martindale said. "His CD is in the Top 40 for the jazz charts."

Lubeck has released four recent, "Tuscan Sky," Restaurants and catering which came out in 2013. Event tickets can be purcompanies will include The single, "Tuscan Sky," ased by calling the box Santaniello's Glenlord was listed by "Billboard" as office at (269) 927-1221 or Restaurant, Tabor Hill one of the top five songs Winery & Restaurant and added to radio play in Mendel Center's October 2013. His other festival.com. Special pric- Conference and Event albums include "Acoustic "Vineyard Vineyard," Groove" and "We Three Strings."

With Lubeck's stated goal being the creation of albums that people can enjoy along with a glass of wine, organizers view him as a natural choice for Delights Festival.

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Submitted photos

Bryan Lubeck will be performing at the Winter Delights Festival.

entertainment at the Winter one who enjoys listening to wineries," Martindale said. break for people to come

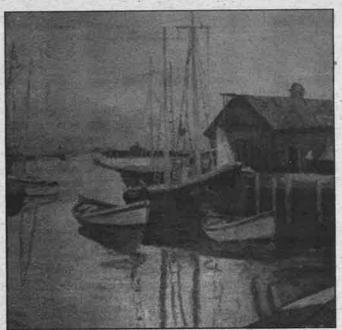
smooth jazz and who wants "We look forward to it out of the cold and enjoy "This festival is for any- to support local Michigan every winter. It's a nice Michigan wines."

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leaf or two to a tree in an old landscape painting. Still, not much help with identification. Trained appraisers like me look at the back of the painting and the foundation of a work - in natural light!

At my appraisal events, I try to contain myself when someone offers me a black light to identify an American painting that was made in 1990. I think back to my experience in academic institutions and museums and I can recall very few situations when I or my colleagues relied solely on a black light for identification purposes. Black lights, fun as they are, will only provide part of the big picture. Need to know the real deal about art and antiques? Ask an expert to take a look.

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