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**ArtCAN ... Find a Cure**  
**JCM Foundation for Pancreatic Cancer Research Hosts 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Benefit Art Auction**

**44 Featured Artists Announced for 2012!**

**Funds Raised Have Already Led to Groundbreaking Research**

Atlanta (September 12, 2012) – Pancreatic Cancer is the deadliest of all cancers and the fourth leading cause of cancer deaths. The fight to find a cure and early detection for pancreatic cancer continues. In order to draw awareness to the disease, the Joseph C. Monastra Foundation for Pancreatic Cancer Research (JCM Foundation) will host its second annual art benefit ArtCAN, featuring works from 44 acclaimed artists from all over the globe who are cancer survivors or who have had their lives affected by cancer.

As with all funds raised by the Joseph C. Monastra Foundation, money raised during ArtCAN will go directly to support pancreatic cancer research at Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions (JHMI). One of the most recent groundbreaking research projects funded in part by the Joseph C. Monastra Foundation was the genetic study lead by **Dr. Christine-Iacobuzio Donahue (ArtCAN's keynote speaker)** that revealed a large window of opportunity for the early detection of pancreatic cancer. The researchers have also identified the complete DNA sequencing of the pancreatic cancer genome and have realized that there are two types of pancreatic cancer. All of these steps are moves in the direction toward finding an early detection and cure for this "silent killer."

**WHAT:** ArtCAN, the Joseph C. Monastra Foundation for Pancreatic Cancer Research fundraiser, is an evening of hors d'oeuvres, cocktails and fine art, which will raise money and awareness for pancreatic cancer. The esteemed curatorial panel has chosen 44 artists, whose work will be featured at the event. The artists came from as close as inside Atlanta and as far away as Korea and Ireland. A full list of artists and their profiles will be available on the website [www.jcm-ArtCAN.org](http://www.jcm-ArtCAN.org).

The evening's keynote speaker will be **Dr. Christine-Iacobuzio Donahue**, Professor of Pathology & Oncology, Johns Hopkins University. Drawing works from artists throughout the world, the curatorial panel includes leaders in the Atlanta art community **Marianne Lambert**, **Jerry Cullum**, **Timothy Tew** and **Hope Cohn**. **WSB-TV news anchor Carol Sbarge** and **JCM founding member Pamela Monastra** will serve as Co-Chairs for the event. For more information on ArtCAN, visit: [www.jcm-ArtCAN.org](http://www.jcm-ArtCAN.org), call 404-391-2169 or email [SupportTheCause@jcm-ArtCAN.org](mailto:SupportTheCause@jcm-ArtCAN.org).

"I have sat on jury selections for many art auctions and have found the art submitted for ArtCAN to be of superior quality," says curatorial panel member Lambert. "It is indicative of the very personal love and concern these artists have for curing cancer that they care enough to give their very best."

**WHEN:** Saturday, November 3, 2012  
6 - 7 p.m. VIP Host/Patron Champagne Preview Party  
7 - 10 p.m. ArtCAN main event – specialty cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and silent auction

WHERE: Bill Lowe Gallery  
1555 Peachtree Street NE, Suite 100  
Atlanta, Georgia 30309

TICKETS: \$75  
Host and Patron Levels \$150 to \$500  
Corporate Sponsorships Available  
Available [www.jcm-ArtCAN.org](http://www.jcm-ArtCAN.org)

WHO: The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual ArtCAN participating artists hail from as far away as Korea, Finland and Ireland and as nearby as Marietta and Decatur.

Ana Guzman (Cuba), Barbara Brenner (Atlanta), Barry Lorne (England), Barry Noland (Nashville), Brenda Rehrig (Canton, Ga.), Dr. Christine Iacobuzio-Donahue & Norm Barker (Baltimore), Clem Bedwell (Atlanta), Corey Barksdale (Pine Lake, Ga.), Daniel Biddy (Atlanta), David Wendel (Marietta), Donna Horn (Atlanta), Edith Singer (Coconut Creek, Fla.), Ellen DeLoach (Acworth, Ga.), Eok Young Lee posthumously (Korea), Erika Page (Atlanta), Frederick Taylor (Atlanta), Gloria Lujan-Whitney (Covina, Cali.), Jack Wahl (Sahaurita, Ariz.), Jarno Kettunen (Finland) & Claudia Rebola (Argentina), Jeff Demetriou (Atlanta), Jeffry H. Wilcox Paclipan (Philippines), John Beadles (Atlanta), Jude Rouslin (Sarasota, Fla.), Karen Schwartz (Atlanta), Kathy McCullen (Atlanta), Kelin Perry (Atlanta), Kim Karelson (Atlanta), Kimber Berry (Los Angeles), Lesley Ann Price (South Africa), Lori Jakubow (Williamsburg, Va.), Maxine Hess (Woodstock, Ga.), Michael David (Atlanta), Nancy Alhabashi (Israel), Pat Magers (Atlanta), Rae Broyles (Roswell, Ga.), Ralph Mindicino (Astoria, NY), Richard Diedrich (Atlanta), Rita Beasley (Brazinet) (Atlanta), Sid Smith (Decatur, Ga.), Susan Beallor-Snyder (Atlanta), Susan Moreno (Dallas, Ga.) and Terence Monaghan (Ireland).

### **The Joseph C. Monastra Foundation for Pancreatic Cancer Research**

Established in 2002 in honor of the father and husband who passed away only four weeks after being diagnosed, the Joseph C. Monastra Foundation for Pancreatic Cancer Research supports the leading pancreatic cancer research at Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions (JHMI). Recently, two JHMI scientists were selected for the cancer dream team, which will conduct research in the new field of epigenetics and its relationship to pancreatic cancer. The cancer research team at JHMI has also won a 2010 INNOVATOR Award from the American Association for Cancer Research, a PanCan & American Assoc. for Cancer Research Award Grant and two grants from the Lustgarten Foundation. The JCM Foundation was created to make a difference for pancreatic cancer research and raise awareness for the need for increased research funding. The JCM Foundation currently funds research with a tri-fold focus on learning how pancreatic cancer spreads, identifying and studying the genes that cause pancreatic cancer and studying a novel drug for treatment of the disease. For more information on JCM, visit: [www.jcmfoundation.org](http://www.jcmfoundation.org), call 404-391-2169 or email [info@jcmfoundation.org](mailto:info@jcmfoundation.org).

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