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IF YOU GO:

3rd Thursday Cultural Event: Thursday, May 20, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Location: Gallery Square North, 373 Tequesta Drive, Tequesta

Information and directions: (561) 746-3101 or LighthouseArts.org

Museum Hours: Monday – Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Cost: Members free; \$5 non-members ages 12 and up

**Lighthouse Center for the Arts 3rd Thursday Cultural Event
to be a Family Celebration of Children’s Art and Illustration**

Tequesta, Fla. (May 13, 2010) – Lighthouse Center for the Arts celebrates the artistic child in all of us at its next 3rd Thursday cultural event on Thursday, May 20, in the Museum from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Members of the Center and community guests are encouraged to bring children or grandchildren to accompany them to this special art celebration where costumes and dress-up are encouraged, but not required. The event previews the ArtAbound summer camp season and provides a glimpse of exciting exhibitions to come this summer.

The museum’s current exhibition, the 40th *Annual Kindergarten through 12th grade Student Show*, sets the evening’s festive family mood. Prizes for Best Costume will be awarded for both adults and children. Ideas for costumes may be inspired from the Center’s ArtAbound summer camp theme, “Once Upon a Paintbrush.” Guests are invited to dress as their favorite story character from superhero, animal and ocean legends, magical fairy tales and space adventures.

Event highlights include the Center’s ArtAbound summer art camp teachers sharing children’s art techniques, and children’s book illustrator Jacklyn Laflamme demonstrating her painting style. Laflamme will be featured at the Center in June for her original artwork from the children’s books, *Will and the Magical Forest*, *Will and the River of Enchantment* and *Will and the Crystal Fairy*, written by Dani Lynn. Book one, *Will and the Magical Forest*, currently appears as a sneak preview through June 5 at the Center’s School of Art on Seabrook Road in Tequesta. 3rd Thursday attendees are invited to the preview the evening of May 20. Registration for ArtAbound camp will also be open. More information on the Center’s summer camps and registration can be found in the on-line catalog at LighthouseArts.org. 3rd Thursday cultural events are presented by Meyer Law Firm with support from BB&T.

For more information on the Lighthouse Center for the Arts Museum, School of Art, exhibitions, programs and events visit LighthouseArts.org or call (561) 746-3101. The Lighthouse Center for the Arts is located in Gallery Square North, 373 Tequesta Drive, Tequesta, FL, one-half mile west of US Hwy 1. Museum hours are Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. **ABOUT THE LIGHTHOUSE CENTER FOR THE ARTS**
The Lighthouse Center for the Arts (LCA) is a member-supported not-for-profit 501(c)(3) community arts organization, providing excellence in art exhibitions, instruction, education and outreach for all ages. Programs are funded in part by the Palm Beach County Cultural Council, the Palm Beach County Tourist Development Council and the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners.

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LCA-LaFlamme.jpg – Lighthouse Center for the Arts guest artist Jacklyn LaFlamme will demonstrate her children’s book illustrations at the Center’s 3rd Thursday even, May 20, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. (Photo courtesy Jacklyn LaFlamme)



LCA-The Magical Forest.jpg – *The Magical Forest* by Jacklyn Laflamme, an illustration from *Will and the Magical Forest*, featured in *The Fairytale Project* exhibition coming to Lighthouse Center for the Arts, June 10 through July 24. (Photo by Jacklyn Laflamme)