INSITE97 ANNOUNCES GALA AND ART FUNCTION

"InSITE97: The Party Continues . . . " introduces a gala evening of music, dance, live performance and superb cuisine set for Saturday, June 7 at "4th & B," 345 B Street in downtown San Diego, beginning at 6:30 p.m. The black tie gala benefits InSITE97, a binational, collaborative artistic venture of 26 nonprofit and public arts institutions in San Diego and Tijuana. The major element of the project is a large-scale exhibition of new works in public spaces, running September 26 through November 30. Co-chairs for the gala, Eloisa Haudenschild, Heather Metcalf and Rosela Fimbres, are creating an evening that equals the raw creativity, exuberance and international flavor of InSITE97. Jim Lennox of Pacific Events is designing a lavish setting. A sit-down dinner catered by the Hyatt, La Jolla's Robert Armstrong, entertainment by Isaacs/McCaleb & Dancers and music by Nova Menco will be complemented by an auction of contemporary works of art. Artists include Christo, Vito Acconci, Francis Alÿs, Sol LeWitt, Thomas Glassford, Lorna Simpson, Julian Opie, Eric Snell, George Trakas, Manny Farber and Peter Shelton, among others. Information on "InSite97: The Party Continues" and reservations are available from the InSITE97 office, (619) 544-1482. Tickets are \$185 for the black tie evening event. Table sponsors who reserve by May 15 will be honored in the program and invited to an exclusive preview party at the home of Chris and Eloisa Haudenschild. InSITE97, the third version of InSITE, is coordinated by the Instituto Nacional de Bellas Artes (INBA) in Mexico and Installation, a nonprofit visual arts organization in San Diego.