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## ROCK YOUR SOUL AT THE ARTS LEAGUE'S FUNDRAISING GALA AND AUCTION



Detroit, MI -- On Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, the Arts League Of Michigan (ALM) celebrates the official Grand Opening of it's new home, the Virgil H. Carr Cultural Arts Center, 311 E. Grand River with the **Rock My Soul With All That Jazz Gala**. But at 6:00 p.m. when the activities begin, it won't be just another \$100 per ticket, black-tie party.

This fundraising fete has special features:

- ...the auctioning of the 21 pieces of rock and roll-themed art in the Rock My Soul: The Black Legacy Of Rock And Roll exhibit that has been displayed in the U.S. and Canada for the past 6 years...
- ...and a celebration of the collaboration between the Arts League and the world-famous Rock and Roll Hall Of Fame And Museum that resulted in the collection, with the presence of the President of the Hall of Fame, Terry Stewart.

“The Gala will be our biggest event of the year. We’ll get to show off our new home along with one of the most powerful exhibits we’ve ever presented,” said Oliver Ragsdale, Jr., president of the ALM. “The auction is of great importance because the proceeds will help support our education programs for children and adults and help us to continue to keep professional artists and performers involved and teaching those programs,”he added. The artwork features artists’ impressions of music ranging from old juke joint boogie woogie to Bootsey Collins and the Funkadelic to modern-day Hip Hop and Rap, covering every genre with power and passion. The night will also rock the souls of every guest with performances from three groups producing top-drawer jazz that has become a trademark of Carr Center functions.

**For more information about the Gala or any Carr Center functions and classes, call 313-965-8430.**

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