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16th Annual

# *a* Taste *for* Art

Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2026  
6:00pm to 10:00pm  
DuPont Country Club

## *Event Planning Committee*

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*A Taste for Art*, is an award winning celebration of art, food, and community. More importantly, it raises vital funds to **support the programs and services Delaware's most vulnerable children and families need.**

Your generosity makes it possible. By donating an item, service or experience to the evening's silent auction, **you're giving children and their families the help they need** because 100% of event proceeds will go directly to support the mission and work of 501c3 Children & Families First.

Better yet, there are **measurable benefits for you,**

- Donations are tax-deductible
- Guaranteed exposure to 300+ of Delaware's most influential business, community, and civic leaders.
- Expanded recognition through social media promotions, on the event website, on signage at the event, and in the digital program.

**Please give today!** With your support, together, we will build strong, thriving communities where families are strong, individuals are resilient, and children have every opportunity to reach their full potential.

## *Event Features*

### **VIP Reception**

1- hour early access  
plus an exclusive  
themed pairing and  
performance.

### **Local Artisans**

Original works in a  
variety of mediums,  
with 25% of all sales  
being donated.

### **Student Chefs**

Exquisite small bites  
proudly prepared by  
high school culinary  
program students.

### **Open Bar**

Sip from carefully curated  
wines, craft beers,  
top-shelf liquors, and  
custom-themed cocktails

### **Immersive Live Art**

Unique vignettes that  
bring art to life  
through creative  
interactive experiences.

### **Silent Auction**

A variety of desired,  
high-end items &  
experiences, with  
100% being donated.

## *Contact Us*

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## Silent Auction Donation Form

Children & Families First

Attn: Jennifer Gallo

555 Justison Street, Wilmington, DE 19801

Giving@cffde.org

**Please complete and return this form by February 29th, 2026**

CONTACT PERSON: \_\_\_\_\_

ORGANIZATION NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

WEBSITE: \_\_\_\_\_

SOCIAL MEDIA CHANNELS: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF ITEM: \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION\*: \_\_\_\_\_

ESTIMATED VALUE: \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Please be sure to include important  
dates, restrictions, or instructions if  
applicable.*

DELIVERY METHOD:

\_\_\_\_\_ I will deliver / mail the item

*If you are donating a gift certificate or  
please enclose it with this form.*

\_\_\_\_\_ I need someone to come pick up the item – please provide details:

Where: \_\_\_\_\_

When (Dates & Times): \_\_\_\_\_

Who should we ask for: \_\_\_\_\_

# THANK YOU!

All contributions are considered tax deductible donations  
to our 501c3. For your records, our tax ID is: 51-0065731

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