

Local Charity to Benefit from “Chairs for Children”

San Antonio, TX – Cliff Emery, Owner and Interior Design Consultant of YourHome Furnishings, is bringing together art and furniture this summer to benefit children in need at Respite Care of San Antonio. The “Chairs for Children” project will feature the work of various San Antonio community artists who are joining efforts to raise awareness for this charitable organization.

Artists involved with “Chairs for Children” have been visiting the Davidson Respite House located in the Monte Vista

Historical District for the past few months. These visits have helped the artists to gain a deeper understanding of and relationship with the special children assisted by Respite Care’s services. Under the guidance of Bert Pfiester, Executive Director of Respite Care of San Antonio, artists have had the opportunity to interact with children through art projects, sports and outdoor playtime. These cherished exchanges have fueled creative ideas and emotions to be expressed through artwork – with stuffed, canvas chairs donated by YourHome serving as the artistic medium.

Emery, who has partnered with Lee Industries to bring this art concept to the community, is ecstatic about the development of the project. “For years I’ve had a vision of transforming chairs into artwork in order to support children’s charities,” Emery says. “The work Respite Care contributes to the community is irreplaceable. You cannot put a value on the impact this organization has, and I’m honored to be able to host this project to benefit their cause.”

The chairs will officially be unveiled to the public while on a four-to-six week tour throughout the San Antonio community. Popular retail centers, hotels and other establishments are scheduled to showcase these special chairs throughout the course of the tour. A featured stop along the tour include an “Open House” featuring a remodeled home located in Monte Vista – just blocks away from the Davidson Respite Care House. The reconstruction project, headed by David and Melina Montelongo, has been an ongoing venture for the past six months. During the Open House weekend in July, the 6,000 square foot remodeled home will feature artwork, live music, wine and hors d’oeuvres.



Cliff Emery (far left), Melina Montelongo and Bert Pfiester (far right) with artists and children involved with the “Chairs for Children” project.

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Following the completion of the tour, all chairs will be available for purchase through an online auction, with all proceeds benefiting Respite Care of San Antonio. Artists contributing their skills to this special cause include Molly White, Kimberly Aubuchon, Caroline Carrington, Ethel Shipton, Diana Beck and Paula Nemeč.

About Cliff Emery

Cliff Emery is no stranger to children's charity outreach. Prior to the "Chairs for Children" project, Emery has been involved with a variety of organizations throughout the community. Emery is a current and founding member of Citizens for a South Texas Children's Hospital as well as a member of the fundraising committee for Lowdown at the Hoedown, a non-profit that raises money and awareness for Cystinosis, a rare hereditary disease. His giving has also reached internationally to children at a special needs school and home in Muzquiz, Coahuila, Mexico. Additionally, Emery is a lifetime member of the San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo and has previously served on the San Antonio Zoobilation Ball Committee.

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