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## **Rolling Stones' Ron Wood to Stage Art Exhibition at Seattle's Odyssey Maritime Discovery Center**

SEATTLE – Oct. 11, 2006 – The artwork of Rolling Stones guitarist Ron Wood will be on display at Odyssey Maritime Museum for four days starting Sunday, Oct. 15.

Toronto-based Klim Art Galleries ([www.klimart.com](http://www.klimart.com)) is presenting the exhibition at Odyssey Maritime Discovery Center's Waterlink Gallery. The Odyssey Maritime Discovery Center is adjacent to Bell Harbor International Conference Center at Pier 66 on the Seattle waterfront at 2211 Alaskan Way.

Admission to the exhibition is free. Hours are 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 15, and Monday, Oct. 16; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 17; and 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 18. The Rolling Stones will perform at Seattle's Qwest Field on Oct. 17.

When he was a child, Wood's older brothers taught him rudimentary painting techniques. He went on to graduate from the Ealing College of Art in London. He worked as a commercial artist for three years before joining his first band. He continues creating art and still takes his brushes and paints with him on tour.

The artwork will be on sale during the exhibition, which will include original lithographs, silk screens and etchings, which Wood numbers and signs. Wood's specialty is painting people and friends in his daily life. In addition to several self-portraits, his collection contains portraits of the Rolling Stones as well as Marvin Gaye, John Belushi and Jack Nicholson.

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**EDITOR'S NOTE: High-resolution images of some of Wood's artwork are available upon request from Klim Art Galleries.**

### **About Odyssey Maritime Discovery Center**

Odyssey Maritime Discovery Center is located adjacent to Bell Harbor International Conference Center and offers an interactive venue on Seattle's thriving waterfront. The nautical-themed galleries at Odyssey provide the perfect backdrop for corporate icebreakers, receptions, weddings, proms, bar and bat mitzvahs, and parties for up to 700 guests. The unique multilevel floor plan of Odyssey provides 40-foot-high ceilings, second-level catwalks, intimate gathering spaces, breakout meeting rooms and spacious

galleries, all part of this contemporary maritime museum. Odyssey is a Port of Seattle property, which Seattle-based Columbia Hospitality Inc. manages and operates.

### **About Columbia Hospitality**

Columbia Hospitality Inc., a leading hospitality management and consulting firm, was founded in 1995 by John Oppenheimer. Columbia Hospitality creates exceptional experiences for guests and employees while achieving phenomenal results for its property owners. Specializing in luxury hotel and resort management, Columbia Hospitality expertly transforms each vision for a unique property into an enduring and profitable business. Columbia Hospitality's premier properties include boutique hotels and secluded resorts in Washington state, including:

- The Inn at Langley on Whidbey Island
- Friday Harbor House on San Juan Island
- Lakedale Resort at Three Lakes, also on San Juan Island
- Darnell's Lake Resort on Lake Chelan

The company also manages a portfolio of conference centers and event venues in Washington state, including:

- Bell Harbor International Conference Center in Seattle
- World Trade Center Seattle
- Odyssey Maritime Discovery Center in Seattle (catering and events only)
- Pier 30 Event Center in Seattle
- Talaris Conference Center in Seattle
- Kitsap Conference Center at Bremerton Harborside in Bremerton
- Washington Mutual Leadership Center at Cedarbrook in SeaTac

The company additionally supports an active consulting division that has worked on more than 50 hospitality development projects in five western U.S. states and Canada.

Columbia Hospitality was named to the *Puget Sound Business Journal's* list of the "Fastest Growing Private Companies in Washington State" three times in the past six years. For more information on Columbia Hospitality, Inc., visit

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