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# GALLERY RESTAURANT PARTNERS WITH CIEL GALLERY

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (August 1, 2017) – <u>Gallery Restaurant</u>, located at <u>The Ballantyne</u>, a <u>Luxury Collection Hotel</u>, Charlotte, has partnered with local fine art provider <u>Ciel Gallery</u> to feature an exclusive display. Ciel showcases high quality, innovative art in a variety of media such as mixed media, oil and acrylic to capture an authentic gallery feel for guests at Gallery.

Ciel's exhibit features rotating art that is available for purchase. Current artists include Emily Andress, Jean Cauthen, Jonathan Grauel, Laura McRae Hitchcock, Diane Pike and Staci Swider.

"Like our namesake, our philosophy is driven by creating culinary artistry, and Ciel's fresh approach to fine art complements our setting perfectly," said Chris Shatto, director of outlets at The Ballantyne. "Just as we are committed to featuring local farms, we appreciate that Ciel promotes local talent."

"Our goal is the share art with the entire community, and our new partnership with Gallery will play a pivotal role in this," said Emily Andress, partner at Ciel Gallery. "Our collection reflects originality and proficiency, and we are excited to bring the Ciel experience to Gallery."

For more information and pricing inquiries, please visit the host stand or call 704-248-4058. To learn about upcoming shows at Ciel, please visit <u>cielcharlotte.com</u>.

### **About Ciel Gallery**

Ciel Gallery, located in the South End Arts District of Charlotte, NC, is an artist-run exhibition and workshop space featuring 27 local makers of fine art and functional craft. A Charlotte fixture since 2008, Ciel encourages innovation and collaboration. Artists are available daily to talk about their work, the process and inspiration. Exhibitions are rotated monthly and include three national juried shows each calendar year, several salon shows, and featured artist shows. 2017 will include an exhibition on Faces of Charlotte, highlighting diversity and community; Works on Paper, encouraging experimental directions and accessible art for new collectors; and Skew the Masters, our annual fundraiser and auction benefiting Arts and Science Council of Mecklenburg County. In addition to work on view in the gallery, Ciel offers comprehensive art instruction for beginners through advanced students both on and off site, as well as private and public commissions. Located at 128 E. Park Avenue, Ciel is one block from the Blue Line Light Rail East/West Station, with free parking adjacent to the gallery. Hours are Tuesday - Saturday, 11 a.m. – 6 p.m. For more information about participating artists or commissioning a project, please send an email to cielgallery@gmail.com.

# **About Gallery Restaurant**

Charlotte's only Forbes Four-Star restaurant, <u>Gallery Restaurant</u> opened in February 2007. Located at The Ballantyne, Gallery serves locally-sourced, contemporary regionally-inspired fare in a sophisticated setting. Gallery's full bar offers one of the largest whiskey collections in the Carolinas, an inspiring wine list, handcrafted cocktails and bar menu. The restaurant also features a private dining room which can accommodate up to 16 guests. Gallery serves breakfast, lunch and dinner daily, weekend brunch and features a full bar and bar menu. For information and reservations, please call 704-248-4100 or visit www.gallery-restaurant.com.

# About The Ballantyne, a Luxury Collection Hotel, Charlotte

The Ballantyne, a <u>Luxury Collection</u> Hotel, Charlotte is a Forbes Four-Star and AAA Four-Diamond award-winning hotel located in Charlotte, NC. Featuring 208 elegant guest rooms and suites, The Ballantyne also offers a four-bedroom Cottage and a Lodge group retreat with 35 spacious guest rooms. Guests can enjoy meeting and event facilities, <u>spa</u>, fitness, indoor and outdoor pools, <u>golf</u>, Dana Rader Golf School, tennis and dining at <u>Gallery Restaurant</u>. The Ballantyne is owned and managed by Northwood Hospitality. For more information and reservations, call 866-248-4824, visit <u>theballantynehotel.com</u> or follow <u>Twitter</u>, <u>Instagram</u> and <u>Facebook</u>.

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