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ALBANY INSTITUTE ANNOUNCES GALA HONOREES

ALBANY, NEW YORK—The Albany Institute of History & Art has announced the names of its honorees for the 2011 Museum Gala. This year's gala will take place on Friday, June 10, 2011, on the museum grounds, and will honor the following individuals and corporations:

- **Denise and Tony Gorman:** Longtime supporters of the Albany Institute, Denise has served on the museum's Board of Trustees since 1995. During that time, she has chaired many committees, including three gala committees. She has served as Secretary of the Board, has been an active member of the Executive Committee, and currently chairs the Nominating Committee. As part of its corporate mission, The Gorman Group has supported cultural, medical, and educational foundations throughout New York and New England since 1917.
- **Paul Grondahl:** An award-winning journalist and author of four books, Paul has used the Albany Institute's collections as a primary resource in his efforts to make our regional history publicly accessible through his teaching and writing. In addition to his regular contributions as a staff writer for the *Times Union*, Paul's work has appeared in numerous publications, including *Smithsonian* magazine, *Newsday*, *The New York Times Book Review*, the *Houston Chronicle*, and others.
- **Neil and Jane Golub, Price Chopper, and The Golub Foundations:** The Golubs and their family foundation have been positive forces of corporate citizenship in our community for more than 70 years. The Golubs have led the effort to enhance and improve the quality of life for people within Price Chopper communities by supporting health and human services, arts and culture, education, and youth activities, to name just a few.

One of the most popular social gatherings in the Capital District, the Museum Gala is the Albany Institute's largest fundraising event. Guests will enjoy an exquisite selection of cuisine, wine and spirits, and elegant entertainment throughout the museum, and will

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also be able to view the major exhibition, “Graphic Design—Get the Message!” before it closes on Sunday, June 12, 2011. Two auctions—one silent and one live—will feature dozens of distinctive gift items such as jewelry, vacation trips, artworks, and more. Additionally, a collection of art by regional artists, entitled “Director’s Choice,” and curated by outgoing Institute director Chris Miles, will be on display, with selected works available for bidding.

Information about attending the gala can be obtained by calling Janna Westmoreland at (518) 463-4478, ext. 412, or e-mailing westmorelandj@albanyinstitute.org. Information is also available at the museum’s website: www.albanyinstitute.org.

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