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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**TENTH ANNUAL CARPATHO RUSYN EVENT AT THE ANDY WARHOL MUSEUM**

(Pittsburgh, PA) . . . July 9, 2007...The Andy Warhol Museum will host the Tenth Annual Carpatho-Rusyn Event, Saturday, July 28, 2007 from 12 p.m.- 3 p.m. This celebration, held in collaboration with the Carpatho-Rusyn Society since 1998, presents the living arts of contemporary Carpatho-Rusyns (people from the Carpathian Mountain region of Eastern Europe) alongside the life and art of Andy Warhol, one of the most influential cultural figures of Carpatho-Rusyn descent. The celebration will feature talks, music, sing-alongs, hands-on art activities, and traditional Rusyn foods in The Warhol Café. This years All activities are free with Museum admission.

Activities include:**Talks - "Memories of Andy, Summer of 1968"**

Andy Warhol's nephews, Paul Warhola Jr., pastor of The Church of The Resurrection in Denver and James Warhola, illustrator and author of the children's book "Uncle Andy's, a Faabbbulous Visit with Andy Warhol," will share memories of Warhol's recovery period after being shot in 1968. Seating is limited.

Music

The New York based band Vox Ethnika (<http://www.myspace.com/voxethnika>) will play Carpatho-Rusyn traditional songs and their own techno-rock versions of the traditional music.

Chant Sing-along

Jerry Jumba, cantor at Andy Warhol's funeral, will lead a chant sing-along to commemorate the twentieth anniversary of Warhol's death.

Demonstrations

Hands-on art projects combining the traditional Rusyn arts with Warhol's techniques in the Weekend Factory studio.

The Carpatho-Rusyns

The Carpatho-Rusyns are a small East Slavic ethnic group indigenous to the

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Carpathian Mountain region of East Central Europe. Today, Carpatho-Rusyn territory falls within the borders of Poland, Slovakia, Ukraine, Hungary and Romania. Approximately 700,000 Americans are of Carpatho-Rusyn descent with the largest concentration of these people (1 out of every 10 U.S. Rusyns) living in Western Pennsylvania. The Carpatho-Rusyn Society is a national cultural organization based in Pittsburgh with chapters in New York/New Jersey, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Bridgeport, CT, Washington D.C., Warren-Youngstown, OH, Erie, and Tucson. For more information about the Carpatho-Rusyn Society visit www.c-rs.org

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Located in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, the place of Andy Warhol's birth, The Warhol is one of the most comprehensive single-artist museums in the world. The Andy Warhol Museum is one of the four Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh. Additional information about The Warhol is available at www.warhol.org.

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Hours: Tues, Wed, Thurs, and Sun 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Fri, 10 a.m. – 10 p.m.
Sat, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Mon closed
Admission: Members – free
Good Fridays 5-10 p.m., Half-price Museum admission
Adults - \$12, Sr. Citizens - \$9, Children/Students - \$8
The Warhol Store/The Warhol Café – free