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## The Arts of Life Associate Board Presents: OscArts of Life

"Stars" and Cinephiles Shine at an Academy Award-winning Party at Tapster in Wicker Park on March 4th

The Oscar nominations have just come out, but Chicagoans don't have to watch the Academy Awards at home alone. Instead, movie lovers can enjoy a lively evening with popcorn, charcuterie and cheese boards, over 50 beverages on tap, exciting raffle items, and great company on Sunday, March 4th at Tapster. We will have many exciting raffle items offered at this year's event. Our featured raffle items this year are a two-hour in-home wine tasting from Wines For Humanity, movie passes to the Davis Theater, Chicago White Sox tickets, and more to be announced soon! The hosts will also have a 50/50 ballot contest and be selling art from The Arts of Life.

The Arts of Life Associate Board is ready to have you join us witness history. This year we could see three historical events at the Oscars. Timothée Chalamet (Call Me By Your Name) would be the youngest actor to win best actor, Agnès Varda (Faces Places) would be the oldest ever award winner, Rachel Morrison (Mudbound) is the first woman ever nominated for cinematographer, and Kobe Bryant would be the first NBA player to win an Oscar.

The Arts of Life will be presenting this event at <u>Tapster</u> in Wicker Park. Tapster has graciously agreed to donate a percentage of the night's earnings (including food and drink sales!) to The Arts of Life, a 501(c)3 nonprofit arts program for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

When: Sunday, March 4th, 2018, 6 -11 p.m. (Oscars start at 7 p.m.)

Where: Tapster in Wicker Park, 2027 W North Ave, Chicago, IL 60647 (http://www.tapsterchicago.com)

Tickets: https://oscarts2018.eventbrite.com

Website: http://artsoflife.org/oscarts2018

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/events/164547584160313/

## Details:

\$15 donation per guest includes a ballot - this goes towards the 50/50 split-the-pot Oscars ballot competition. Purchasing pre-sale admission through Eventbrite is strongly recommended. The cost of admission goes towards the 50/50 split-the-pot Oscars ballot competition. The person with the most correct answers on their Oscar ballot will win 50% of the pot and the other 50% will go to The Arts of Life. If a tie in the Oscar ballot contest, monies will be split among the winners. All proceeds go directly to supporting The Arts of Life, a nonprofit arts program for adults with developmental disabilities. In addition to enjoying an evening of treats and eats, you will also support a valuable Chicago nonprofit!

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The Arts of Life advances the creative arts community by providing artists with intellectual and developmental disabilities a collective space to expand their practice and strengthen their leadership. Opened in 2000, The Arts of Life was the first program in Chicago to provide employment in the arts for adults with developmental disabilities. The studio serves as both an alternative day program and creative epicenter for its artists. Funded partly by the Department of Human Services, The Arts of Life also greatly depends on fundraising efforts and grants to sustain its program.