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\*\*\* MEDIA ALERT \*\*\*

**CALLANWOLDE FINE ART CENTER'S AWARD-WINNING REHABILITATION PROJECT  
TO BE CELEBRATED AT RIBBON-CUTTING, OCTOBER 25**  
*Lord Aeck Sargent Rehabilitated Barn Into Recording Studio for School of Music  
And Greenhouse into Innovative Space For School of Horticulture and Culinary Arts*

**WHAT:** A ribbon-cutting ceremony and celebration will commemorate \$2.1 million worth of historic preservation and rehabilitation projects designed by Lord Aeck Sargent, an Atlanta-based planning and design firm, on the Callanwolde Fine Arts Center campus.

The Ruby Callaway Robinson Greenhouse is a state-of-the-art, climate-controlled greenhouse and home to Callanwolde's School of Horticulture and Culinary Arts classes and workshops. Named in honor of GreenHouse Foundation co-founders CeeLo Green and Shedonna Alexander's grandmother, Ruby Callaway Robinson, the greenhouse is the new home for the GreenHouse Foundation's School Partnership Training Program. The new greenhouse, which retains and is built upon the historic structure's foundation walls, serves as the perfect environment to fulfill the GreenHouse Foundation's mission to educate, inspire and empower children to adopt a green lifestyle so they can positively impact the sustainability of our resources.

The Callanwolde Barn is original to the property and has been transformed into a recording studio utilized by Phil Tan, three-time Grammy Award-winning music engineer and Callanwolde's Director of Music Recording, as well as the Rick Baker School of Music and Music Recording program. Restoration efforts on this building won a 2016 Georgia Trust Excellence in Rehabilitation Award. All character-defining exterior features were restored while the interior was updated to meet the specific needs of a 21st century recording studio.

**WHO:** Interviews with Lord Aeck Sargent Senior Associate Julie Arnold and Callanwolde Fine Arts Center Executive Director Peggy Johnson are available by request; on-site interviews with Phil Tan and Ceelo Green can be requested.

**WHEN + WHERE:**

Wednesday, October 25, 5:30 – 8:30 p.m. EST

[Callanwolde Fine Arts Center](#)

980 Briarcliff Rd, NE.

Atlanta, GA 30306

**DETAILS:** Tours of the newly renovated buildings will run from 5:30-6:30 p.m. with the ribbon-cutting taking place at 6:30. Notable guests in attendance will include Callanwolde Fine Arts Center Executive Director, Peggy Johnson; award winning producer Phil Tan, recording artist CeeLo Green and GreenHouse Co-Founder, Shedonna Alexander. The renovation project has enabled Callanwolde to start two new programs for the community: The School of Horticulture and Culinary Arts and the Rick Baker School of Music and Music Recording.

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