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Montalvo Arts Center Appoints T. William Melis as Chief Financial Officer and Director of Operations

SARATOGA, Calif. – Montalvo Arts Center today announced the appointment of T. William Melis as chief financial officer and director of operations for the Saratoga-based nonprofit. In this role, Melis will oversee all financial aspects of Montalvo's business, working closely with Executive Director Robert Sain as well as the Board of Trustees, and will be a liaison for all departments within Montalvo, including facilities, grounds keeping and maintenance.

Melis comes to Montalvo from the Packard Humanities Institute where he was the director of finance and administration for the past seven years, managing all financial, administrative and human resource functions. Prior to that, he worked within several different arts institutions including The Stanford Theater Foundation, San Francisco Museum of Modern Art and the Los Angeles County Museum of Art. Also, Melis spent many years at the State Bar of California acting as the senior executive for administration and finance, directing all financial and operations functions within the organization.

"Montalvo is a well respected institution and I am looking forward to immersing myself in its culture and new thematic programming," said Melis. "Montalvo currently offers many wonderful programs, such as artists-in-residency, teen programming and literary programming, all of which are expanding the arts center's reach into the community."

"Over the past several years, Montalvo has taken many steps to evolve into a center for the arts of our time," said Sain. "Melis comes to us with a wealth of financial, administrative, and senior management experience, and an impressive history within the arts and with organizations that have reengineered themselves, as Montalvo is doing now. All of these facets make Melis the ideal person for driving our mission forward."

About Montalvo Arts Center

Montalvo Arts Center is a nonprofit organization dedicated to forging meaningful connections between art, artists and the communities it serves through creation, presentation and education in extraordinary ways and settings. Located in the Saratoga hills, Montalvo Arts Center occupies a Mediterranean-style villa on 175 stunning acres, which Senator James Phelan left to the people of California for the encouragement of art, music, literature and architecture. In January 2005, the organization changed its name from "Montalvo" to "Montalvo Arts Center" to commemorate its 75th year as an arts center and to better communicate its mission to expanding local, national and international audiences. For more information about Montalvo Arts Center, call (408) 961-5800 or visit www.montalvoarts.org.

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