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Jackson, MS—Mississippi Craft Center Opening Rescheduled

The Mississippi Craft Center's grand opening festivities, postponed due to construction delays, have been re-scheduled for June. Located at 950 Rice Road at the Ross Barnett Reservoir in Ridgeland, the soon-to-be completed Center will offer the community and State a sales gallery, exhibition space for the Guild's permanent collection, classrooms, offices, a great hall, and reception areas for special events, workshops, wedding and meetings.

Grand Opening Festivities: Thursday, June 7th, from 7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m., a Preview Party and Fundraiser for the Guild is planned. The following day, Friday, June 8th, a Dedication Ceremony and Ribbon Cutting will be held at 10:00 a.m. A Summer Show and Sale will take place on the grounds of the new Center on Saturday, June 9th, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The Craftsmen's Guild of Mississippi was organized in 1973 and has grown to a membership organization of more than 400 craftsmen. Selected as a 2006 Governor's Award for Excellence in the Arts, Leadership in the Arts honoree, the Guild offers classes and demonstrations for more than 100,000 participants each year. The Guild's annual festival, Chimneyville Crafts Festival, has been selected consistently as a Top Ten Event in the Southeast by the Southeast Tourism Society and its galleries are recognized by Niche Magazine as leaders in the art gallery industry.

For more details or to order Preview Party tickets, please call 601-981-0019 or visit www.mscrefts.org