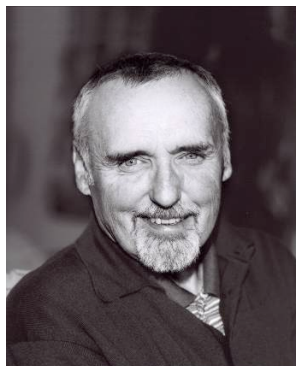


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Antonio Hosts Artist Reunion: Dinner with Dennis Hopper

Sponsored by *Antonio's Taste of Mexico*
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The Harwood Museum of Art has chosen the new *Antonio's Taste of New Mexico* restaurant in Taos as the spot for its fundraising party on May 3, 2009. The **Artist Reunion Dinner** party will celebrate the 40 years of friendship of six important artists of the west coast contemporary art movement featured in the *Hopper at the Harwood* exhibition, on view from May 8 – September 20, 2009. This exhibition, curated by Dennis Hopper, shows the work of Larry Bell, Ron Cooper, Ronald Davis, Ken Price and Robert Dean Stockwell as well as Hopper. This event sold out almost as quickly as tickets were available, and that evening, important artists and dealers from the art world will be present. Many guests from New York and Los Angeles are flying in just to get a sneak preview of the exhibition and join this celebration.

Chef Antonio Matus will premier his new *Antonio's* restaurant location behind the Taos Plaza on Doña Luz with a menu of contemporary Mexican cuisine inspired from Old Mexico. This central location and warm ambiance will make this an intimate and uniquely Taos event.

Bluegrass classical influenced banjoist and composer Paul Elwood and transgalactic electro-cellist Michael Kott will fuse their experimental and exploratory soundscapes to compliment the evening.

This evening has been generously sponsored by Antonio's Taste of Mexico at 122 Dona Luz in Taos, Eight Modern gallery in Santa Fe, and the Heritage Trust Company of New Mexico.

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