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**Wood River Valley Studio Tour, Inc. Nominated for
Annual Nonprofit Excellence Award**

(Ketchum, Idaho) – More than 100 organizations have been nominated across Idaho for the Idaho Nonprofit Center's Excellence Award, and Wood River Valley Studio Tour is honored to be included.

"We know that nonprofits make a difference in communities across Idaho every day and these awards recognize the contribution of the nonprofit sector," said Janice Fulkerson, Executive Director of the Idaho Nonprofit Center, which organized the awards. "We continued to be impressed with the many moving stories in the 2015 nominations and extremely proud of the nonprofits and what their contributions mean to the quality of life in Idaho."

Wood River Valley Studio Tour (WRVST) is pleased to be one of the organizations nominated in the statewide program. WRVST will be recognized at the Nonprofit Excellence Awards Dinner on September 15th during the Idaho Nonprofit Center's annual conference. Six (6) of the nominated organizations will be honored with the 2015 Nonprofit Excellence Award.

The Sun Valley, Idaho area is home to an abundantly diverse collective of more than 220 visual artists who work and live in the Valley. WRVST illuminates the creative talent in the region by producing and promoting an annual open studio event by opening the doors of professional artists' studios to the general public. This year's event will take place during the weekend of August 22nd & 23rd, with an expanded program of art-centric events running August 18th – 23rd. Visitors are welcomed from far and near, traveling by car, bicycle or by foot on an admission-free, self-guided adventure to explore the working sanctuaries of this year's 59 participating artists throughout the valley, extending from Bellevue in the south to Ketchum in the north and all parts in between.

Contact WRVST office at (208) 726-0605 or go to www.wrvstudiotour.org for more information.

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