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**Hibbing Celebrates Nobel Laureate Bob Dylan**

*Nobel Prize Reception to be held at the Historic Androy Hotel*

**HIBBING, MN** The Bob Dylan Project and The Hibbing Arts Council have partnered to host a Nobel Prize reception and fundraiser to honor Laureate Bob Dylan on the evening of December 10, 2016, at the Historic Androy Hotel in downtown Hibbing. Across the world on the same evening, the Nobel Prize Committee will be officially awarding the Hibbing, Minnesota, native the Nobel Prize in Literature “for having created new poetic expressions within the great American song tradition.”

The purpose of this fundraiser is to secure funds to create a bronze statue that will stand in front of Hibbing High School. The statue will honor Bob Dylan for the unique artist that he is and celebrate his status as a Hibbing High School alumnus.

Retired history teacher and organizer Craig Hattam said, “Bob Dylan is well known around the world, and now he has been awarded a Nobel Prize in Literature. His musical career has spanned over five decades, and before that he was a student here, in this high school. It’s incredible. It’s inspiring. And I feel that we should recognize him for the historical impact he has had around the globe and in our community.”

The cocktail and hors d’oeuvres event on will begin at 5 pm and will feature local artists covering Bob Dylan’s songs. The fully tax-deductible tickets are \$25 and will go on sale on Monday, November 7, 2016, at the American Bank, Custom Lettering, {moxie}, and Security State Bank, all located in downtown Hibbing. Will call tickets are also available and can be reserved by sending payment to The Hibbing Arts Council, PO Box 575, Hibbing, MN 55746. Please note “The Bob Dylan Project” in the memo.

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