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“Blues” Notes for VISIONS Wine and Jazz celebration

Award winning jazz tenor saxophonist **Houston Person**, best known for his work in soul jazz, his unique spirited sound, and his expressive style of music will be the guest performer at VISIONS/Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired “Soothe the Senses” Wine and Jazz Reception and Award Ceremony on Tuesday, September 27, 2011.

VISIONS, which is celebrating 85 years of service promoting the independence of people of all ages who are blind or visually impaired, will host the event at VISIONS at Selis Manor, 135 West 23rd Street, New York City from 5:30 – 7:30.

Besides the distinctive stylings of Person and his quartet, VISIONS will be honoring: **Scott M. Stringer**, Manhattan Borough President; **Giorgio DeLuca**, co-owner of DEAN & DeLUCA and owner of Giorgione on Spring Street in NYC; **Elwanda Young**, Chief Operating Officer, United Way of New York City; **Gilliane Isabelle**, Vice President & Regional Manager, VALIC Financial Advisors; **Marco Valente**, Team Manager, Dans Le Noir, the City’s first dining in the dark restaurant featuring wait staff who are blind; and **Joyce Carrico**, President, Selis Manor Tenants Association. The catering firm of Blake & Todd will be furnishing *Hors d'oeuvres*, and Friend of VISIONS Fred Viana will donate wines for the event.

Proceeds will be used for VISIONS FREE Services in New York City. For further information on the event or for VISIONS services contact Kaitlin Nelson 212-625-1616 ext. 143, knelson@visionsvcb.org.

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