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CZECH CULTURAL CENTER HOUSTON PRESENTS
A Night of Czech Music, Dinner, Dance and Silent Auction IX

(June 29, 2004) - The Czech Cultural Center Houston presents its ninth annual charity gala, *A Night of Czech Music, Dinner, Dance and Silent Auction IX*, on Saturday, August 14, 2004, at the Warwick Hotel in Houston, Texas. This event, starting at 6 p.m., features an evening of cocktails, music, dinner, dancing and an exciting array of auction items from locally and abroad. Entertainment will include vocalist Ashley Vitek, accompanied by composer Robert Dvorak, performances by the Charlie Prause band and commentary on "The Difference between Europeans and Americans" by guest speaker, Cathy Hollowell. This year's event, chaired by Nell St. Cyr and Peter Fucik, will honor distinguished member, John R. Vacek. Individual ticket prices start at \$100.00 with preferred seating available for event underwriters.

All proceeds benefit the new Czech Cultural Center located at 4920 San Jacinto at Wichita in Houston's Museum District. The purpose of the Czech Cultural Center Houston is to build international good will with the Czech Republic and Slovakia thereby unifying the Czech / Slovak American community and to promote the heritage of people from Bohemia, Moravia, Slovakia and Silesia. The Czech Cultural Center building, reminiscent of Czech and Slovak castles, will house a museum, library, genealogical archives and a gift shop carrying specialty items imported from the Czech Republic and Slovakia. The new facility offers several venues for events, including a chapel, meeting rooms and the elegant *Prague Hall* ballroom, all of which are available for rental to the public.

The Czech Cultural Center Houston was incorporated in Texas March 8, 1996 as a 501[c][3] non-profit educational cultural organization.

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