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Award-winning Storyteller Serves Up Stories with Louisiana Flavor

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Join Award-winning Storyteller Dianne de Las Casas for tasty fun at _____ on _____ at _____ a.m./p.m. Dianne=s storytelling program is filled with tasty tidbits of Louisiana culture. Enjoy AJambalaya@ as Dianne serves up hefty portions for all to enjoy!

Touring internationally as a professional storyteller and presenter, Dianne=s delightful performances are filled with her her warm personality, sheer energy, and an unmistakable connection with her young audiences. Her debut CD, *Jambalaya ~ Stories with Louisiana Flavor*, won the prestigious 2004 iParenting Media Award and received a rave review in *School Library Journal*. She was also selected 2003 A40 Under 40" by *Gambit Weekly*, Louisiana=s largest weekly newspaper. Dianne is known nationally for being a leader in the storytelling community, serving as a founding member of several organizations including the local South East Louisiana Storytelling guild and the statewide Independent Children=s Artist Network, for which she is President of the organization. She also serves as the Louisiana state liaison for the National Storytelling Network. She is a Louisiana State Roster Artist and a Louisiana Touring Directory Artist. Dianne also tours with Story Ballet Magic, a theater troupe that integrates storytelling and ballet for youth audiences, and serves as director for the company.

Dianne spent her childhood living and traveling world wide. She lived in the Philippines, Hawaii, Spain, and California, and traveled across Europe and the United States. Some of Dianne=s real life adventures include living in a nipa hut in the Philippines; paying homage to the living lava at the Kilauea Volcano in Hawaii; walking in the spectacular palace of La Alhambra in Granada, Spain; exploring the volcanic ruins of Pompeii, Italy; and basking in the glory of the sun on the shores of Portugal. Drawing from her dramatic childhood life overseas, Dianne=s storytelling is a safari into the depths of the imagination where the ordinary becomes extraordinary.

Don=t miss this opportunity to see a captivating performance. Storyteller Dianne de Las Casas will perform AJambalaya@ at the _____ on _____ at _____ a.m/p.m.