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**CAT DEPOT PAINT AND PURR EVENT
HALF OFF DISCOUNT ADOPTION PRICES**

Sarasota, Florida – (May 31, 2011) – Cat Depot announces its first Paint and Purr event to be held on Saturday, July 16, 2011 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 2542 17th Street, Sarasota. This special event is one day only with discount prices on adoptions with 150 kittens and cats to choose from and ½ off paintings and prints by local artists Nancy Colby and Carolyn Ritter. The Cat Depot Retail Store will also offer ½ off select items and gently used items. Raffles and fun for the entire family!

Discounted Adoptions fees: Kittens \$50.00; Cats \$37.50; Senior Cats \$25 (10 years and older)

Stop by and meet the artists, view their incredible art galleries and bring home a painting, or two.

Florida artist Nancy Colby has earned a well deserved reputation for magnificent feline watercolor creations. Inspired by the love of all things cat, she expresses that love in her paintings of remarkable felines. Her own cats, there are six of them, provide simple modeling opportunities for her paintings and they are often featured in local galleries and shows. Nancy teaches art classes at the North Port Art Center and the Venice Art Center. Driven by her love of animals, especially cats, Nancy offers user friendly pricing to clients who want a painting, or two, of their cats.

Carolyn Ritter's award-winning art work has been published in Cat Fancy, American Style Magazine, Atlanta style and design, and on the cover of the journal of the American Veterinary Medical Association. Her painting of a Labrador retriever is featured on one of the Georgia specialty license plates. Carolyn works from her studio in Bradenton, Florida and teaches acrylics and mixed media at the Art Center Manatee in Bradenton and Lakewood Ranch. Her work is available at the Katherine Butler Gallery in Sarasota, Florida, and the Raiford Gallery in Roswell, Georgia.

Cat Depot, a free roaming nonprofit, no kill feline rescue, adoption, education and resource center is dedicated to helping abandoned, homeless and injured cats and kittens with medical care, food and love. A leader in feline health care and mental well-being, Cat Depot houses over 100 cats and kittens on any day. Cat Depot has changed the destiny of thousands of formerly homeless felines, currently living joyful lives because of donations and support by members and volunteers.

If you would like to donate, volunteer or become a member and support Cat Depot's mission of saving lives, please visit their website at www.catdepot.org or call 366-2404. Cat Depot is located at 2542 17th Street, Sarasota FL, 34234. To better serve the public, Cat Depot is open 7 days a week, M-F, 11am to 7pm, S-S, 11am to 5pm.

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