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Martin County



Hank Gonzalez, Avery Sommers, Rick Creech, Shaun Kelly, Singing with the Stars Winners Charles Jones and Leslie Levy, and Peter Jones.

Singing with the Stars raises \$30K for Artists for a Cause

By Megan Morris

The lights, along with the performers' smiles, were shining brightly at StarStruck Theatre as seven community notables took the stage with their professional partners to compete in the 2nd annual Singing with the Stars.

More than \$30,000 was raised through this signature fundraising event to benefit non-profit Artists for a Cause.

In front of a sold out and raucous crowd, local shop owner Leslie Levy and her professional counterpart Charles Jones were the overall winners for their combination of funds raised and for receiving a perfect score of 30 from the judges for their performance of, "That Ain't the Way I Heard It."

"I am so thrilled to have the honor of winning Singing with the Stars this year," said Leslie.

"Charles was an amazing partner and mentor. I had such fun working with everyone in the talented cast and crew."

The award for top fundraiser was presented to Shaun Kelly, who sizzled on stage when she performed, "Fever," with Charles Jones.

Competitors included: Glenn Webber (Attorney) with Shelley Keelor; Rick Creech (civil engineering and surveying consultant) with Avery Sommers; Rusty Meacham (Major League Baseball alumni) with Peter Jones; Hank Gonzalez



Community Star Leslie Levy and professional singer Charles Jones won for their rendition of 'That Ain't the Way I Heard it.'



Broadway star Avery Sommers and community star Rick Creech performed, 'It Was a Very Good Year.'

(partner, Sailfish Realty of Florida) with Shelley Keelor; and Martin County Commissioner Anne Scott with Peter Jones.

Artists for a Cause is a Stuart-based, national, non-profit organization that helps visual and performing artists to use their talents for community improvement.

For more information about Artists for a Cause or to be considered for next year's Singing with the Stars visit www.a4ac.org, call 772-419-8778 or email info@a4ac.org.