

Notebook



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Beacon Hill artists announce annual Holiday Open House and toy drive

Take the opportunity to get in some creative holiday shopping and to donate a toy for needy children at the fifth annual Beacon Hill Artists Studios Open House and Art Sale. The artists, in addition to showing their wares, will collect toys for children during the month of December.

The Community Center of South Decatur will distribute toys at its Christmas Party

Beacon Hill is a collective of nine local artists who work in media ranging from clay and sculpture to metals and textiles. Beacon Hill's artists are: Valerie Gilbert, Patty O'Keefe Hutton, Chester Old, Linda Ridings, Pam Ross, Jan Selman, and Polly Turco. Among the work for sale will be angels, Christmas ornaments, garden art, interior furnishings, paintings, pottery, porcelain, sculpture, jewelry, and home accessories.

Eleven guest artists will join the Beacon Hill: Sarah Butz (wearables),

Johnette Crum (decorative ceramic vessels and containers), Kathy Goelieb (colorful clay), Anna Guzek (silver serving pieces and jewelry), Aaron Hequembourg (paintings and prints), Amanda Kibler (paper products and fabrics), Jill Ruhlman (new figurative sculpture), Christine Stanton (weaving & hand-woven wearables), Jennifer Townsend (raku), Caroline Montague (pastel drawings), and Lilly Cannon (paintings).

The sale opens Friday, December 1, 5:30 p.m. to 9:30p.m. Visitors can stroll among the art sipping hot apple cider and munching on cookies. Other sale hours are Saturday and Sunday, December 2-3 and 9-10, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. The studios are open by appointment also.

Beacon Hill Art Center is located at the corner of West Trinity Place and Electric Avenue in downtown Decatur.

For further information phone Polly Turco at 371-8806.

AROUND ATLANTA

November

1-18 The Marietta/Cobb Museum of Art continues "American Naïve Paintings," 35 works from the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C.; and "Southern Contemporary Folk Faces," works by Howard Finster, Nellie Mae Rowe and Thornton Dial. \$3 for non-members. (770) 424-8142.

1 through December 4. Artwalk at Lenox Square continues with "What's Cookin'?: Southern Artists Celebrate the South's Culinary Heritage," food-related artworks by 21 contemporary Southern artists. At Lenox Square Mall. (404) 841-3031.

3 The Virginia-Highland Gallery Association continues their popular Gallery Walk series with **Fall Walk**. Eleven galleries will have special openings and exhibits. Walking maps and refreshments provided. 7-10 p.m. Free. (404) 892-6543.

3 through December 23. The Nexus Contemporary Art Center presents works by Martin Johnson, Lynn Marshall-Linnemeier and David Szafranski, the 1995 winners of the **Northern Telecom New Works Fellowships**. \$2 suggested donation. (404) 688-2500.

11-12 Ten local artists present their works at the **3rd Annual Cumming Artists' Studio Tour**. Guests can see the artists at work and enjoy demonstrations and refreshments. Saturday 10 a.m.-7 p.m., and Sunday noon to 6 p.m. (770) 889-0684.

17-19 The High Museum of Art presents the **27th Annual Antiques Show and Sale** at Lenox Square Mall. This year's show focuses on the Gilded Age and features pieces from approximately 50 dealers. \$8 at the door, \$6 in advance. (404) 733-4426.

17 through December 30. The Connell Gallery presents "Contemporary American Art Jewelry," an annual national invitational exhibi-



Christmas at Callanwolde, from Nov. 28 to Dec. 12.

tion of contemporary American studio jewelry-making. Free. (404) 261-1712.

18 through February 17. "Museum Studies," an exhibition of photographs of museums, will be on display at the High Museum of Art's Folk Art and Photography Galleries. Featured artists include Joan Fontcuberta, Thomas Struth and Louise Lawler. (404) 898-9284.

24 through December 3. Scottish Rite Children's Medical Center offers **Art of the Season**, a holiday fundraiser event for children providing interactive arts, crafts and holiday activities at the Atlanta Apparel Mart. Admission is \$6 per child; children under 2 are free. (404) 250-2999.

28 through December 12. Local interior and floral designers transform the historic Callanwolde mansion with festive holiday decorations for the annual **Christmas at Callanwolde** celebration. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$6 for seniors, \$5 for children 4-12 and free for children under 4. (404) 872-5338.

December

2-3 & 8-10. Childkind presents its **3rd Annual Holiday House** featuring decorations by more than 20

designers and florists at Glenridge Hall located in Sandy Springs. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$6 for children. Tickets to the tea with guest Rosalynn Carter, December 1, are \$50. (404) 892-8313.

2-3 The ninth annual **Marietta**

Pilgrimage: A Christmas Home Tour features six historic homes decorated for the season. A candlelight tour will be held Saturday evening 7-9:30 p.m. Tickets from \$8. (770) 429-1115.

2-10 The **Beacon Hill Artists Studio Open House and Sale** will be held Saturdays and Sundays from 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Fifteen artists offer pottery, sculpture, furniture, accessories and more. Please bring a toy for needy children. 125 Electric Avenue, Decatur. (404) 378-9413.

2-10 Egleston Children's Hospital presents the **19th Annual Festival of Trees** at the Georgia World Congress Center, with 150,000 square-foot of decorated trees, wreaths and vignettes on display. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$5 for seniors and children 12 and under. (404) 264-9348.

3 The Atlanta Botanical Garden presents **Country Christmas** from noon to 5 p.m. Enjoy live entertainment, chestnut-roasting, arts and crafts, children's activities and gifts for sale. Free. (404) 876-5859.

6-7 The Atlanta History Center presents its annual **Candlelight Tours** of the 1928 Swan House and the 1840s Tullie Smith Farm from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Regular tours are \$15 per person; \$12.50 for seniors and children 12 and under. (404) 814-4000. □

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Beacon Hill artists will host holiday open house

Angels. Ornaments. Garden art. And a chance to bring holiday smiles to the faces of disadvantaged children.

The Beacon Hill Artists Studios will host its fourth annual Open House and Art Sale during the first and second weekends of December.

The sale opens Dec. 2 at 11:30 a.m. and will close at 9:30 p.m., with an open house that evening from 5-9 p.m.

Visitors can stroll among the art sipping hot apple cider and munching on cookies, and during lunch hours on that day, the Food Business will provide boxed lunches for sale.

Other sale hours are: Dec. 3, 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.; Dec. 4, noon to 6 p.m.; Dec. 10, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; and Dec. 11, noon to 6 p.m.

The studios will also be a stop on the Decatur Tour of Homes on Dec. 2. Tickets for the Tour will be for sale at Beacon Hill.

The artists, in addition to showing their wares, will collect toys for children during the month of December. The Community Center of South Decatur will distribute toys at its Christmas Party. Toys will also be collected at Bank South's Decatur branch (at the corner of Clairemont Avenue and Commerce Drive) and at Eddie's Attic (515-B North McDonough Street).

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Sara Butz will join the Beacon Hill Nine with her wearable art: vests, hats, and quilted jackets.

Decatur school superintendent Don Griffith, and Virginia Legge, a City Schools of Decatur employee, will also sign their new children's book, *Anna Lee Sees A Thing*. Legge, an illustrator, will sell prints of drawings from the book.

Beacon Hill Art Center is located in downtown Decatur at the corner of West Trinity Place and Electric Avenue. The entrance is at the back of the building. Free parking is available in the DeKalb County parking deck (located at the corner of Commerce Drive and West Trinity Place in downtown Decatur) the Dekalb County government parking lot (located on the corner of West Trinity Place and Swanton Way).