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LOWNDES COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Monthly Activity Report
January, 1992

	<u>MONTH</u>	<u>YEAR TO DATE</u>
General Government		
1. <u>BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS</u>		
Regular Meetings	2	13
Special Meetings	1	5
2. Department of Administration		
<u>PURCHASING</u>		
Purchase Orders processed	72	550
Actual Bid - Openings	3	20
<u>PERSONNEL</u>		
Filled Positions	359	359
Vacant	25	196
Positions posted	5	21
Applications received	145	814
Health Insurance Claims processed		
by personnel	378	2,341
by plan administrator	299	2,190
<u>BUILDING MAINTENANCE</u>		
Housekeeping & Custodial	819	5,405.50
Building & Grounds Maint.	1,622.50	10,498.50
Hrs.		Hrs.
"		"
3. <u>COUNTY CLERK</u>		
County Licenses:		
Business Licenses issued	146	376
Beer/Wine Licenses issued	9	37
Whiskey Licenses issued	3	16
Self Service Gasoline		
Licenses issued	3	26
Reservation for 4-H Club Camp	1	46
Reservation for Civic Center	1	15
4. <u>MAGISTRATE COURT</u>		
Criminal		
Arrest Warrants	724	3,902
Commitment Hearings	21	130
Hearings to Waive Appearance	12	66
1st Appearance Hearings	195	1,264
Bond Hearings	317	2,218
Extradition Waivers	6	23
Search Warrants	5	40
Warrants Dismissed	28	139
Civil		
Actions filed	343	2,189
Judgements issued	97	733
Writs issued	14	113
FiFa's	24	157
Hearings	40	321
5. <u>JUVENILE COURT</u>		
Court Cases/complaints filed:		
Delinquent cases	17	200
Deprivation cases	5	21
Traffic cases	7	65
Unruly cases	1	28
Other	0	0

	<u>MONTH</u>	<u>YEAR TO DATE</u>
18. <u>HEALTH AND WELFARE</u>		
Public Health:		
Health Clinic Visits	3,306	25,963
Environment:		
Sewerage/Water Insp.	26	234
Other	57	718
<u>FAMILY SERVICE</u>		
AFDC Cases	2,187	14,732
Food stamps	4,381	28,794
MAO	588	4,010
AFDC related medicaid	915	5,941
General assistance	76	350
Foster care through County	45	231
19. <u>CULTURE AND RECREATION</u>		
South Georgia Regional Library		
Circulation	37,991	150,048
Attendance & Contacts	19,773	119,700
Programs (Outreach & Library)	1,843	16,069
New Books	2,327	8,082
Media Added	37	187
Art Exhibit Attendance	916	4,578
20. <u>ARTS COMMISSION</u>		

The following is a summary of our activities for January, 1992.

- Two graduate school students are accomplishing their internship with our organization. They are graduate students at VSC in the Public Administration program.
- The Broadway production of Pippin attracted 820 to Mathis Auditorium, January 27.
- The January exhibit of the oil painting of Nina Buxton attracted 520 visitors plus 107 to reception on Sunday January 5.
- The Valdosta Junior Service League hosted an Open House January 26, which included a special exhibit of all the original art work which appeared in the 1992 Colson Calendar.
- Continuing to work with the decorator for Langdale Place in order to enhance the interior common areas.
- February's exhibit will feature the works of Mr. He Neng a Chinese dissident who escaped China in 1987. This is the first time his work has been shown in this area.
- A POPS concert by the Jacksonville Symphony Orchestra will be presented February 27 at Mathis Auditorium. Group rates are available for all students.
- The 1992 Brochure is produced.

24. VALDOSTA/LOWNDES COUNTY CONVENTION
and VISITORS BUREAU

The following is an update of activities for the month of January, 92:

- LCHS Museum

Visitors	269
States Represented	28
Group Tours	5
Inquiries	187

- THE CRESCENT

Visitors	136
States Represented	28
Countries	2

- CVB UPDATE

Visitors	385
States Represented	46
Countries	5
Letters of Inquiries	398
Group Requests	14
Tour Group Mailings	30
Monthly Calendar Mail Outs	65

- Presentations: Plantation Trace Travel Association

- Participation: Valdosta-Lowndes Hospitality and Travel Association

Atlanta Olympic Meeting

Economic Development Sales Training Workshop

Georgia Hospitality and Travel Association

Mini Conference on Tourism

Leadership Georgia

Lowndes County Historical Meeting

Something's Fishy
—at—
**THE CULTURAL ARTS
CENTER**
Monday,
October 5th
5-7

**"ARTOBERTEST"
AN OLD
FASHIONED
FISH
FESTIVAL"**

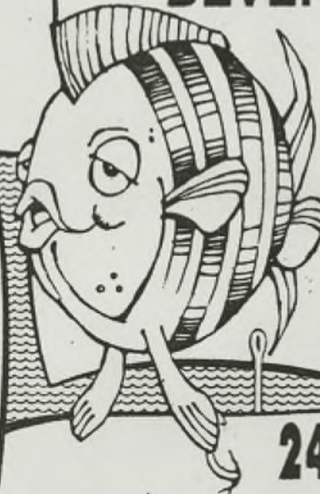
Reception
open to the
public

**FOOD —
BEVERAGE —
ART —**

HOSTS

- Plaid Peppers
- O'neals
- Seafood
- Warehouse Package

247-2787
1204 N. PATTERSON



SEPTEMBER
1992

OLYMPIC FLAG
CELEBRATIONS





The Lowndes/Valdosta Cultural Art Center at 1204 North Patterson Street, Valdosta, Ga. 31602 is pleased to announce a special exhibit for September, 1992. The distinguished artist, Walter Spitzer, has found in his paintings a means of coming to terms with his Holocaust experience and with his obligations as a survivor.

Born in Cieszyn, Poland, Mr. Spitzer was in his teens when the Jewish Community was removed to Strzemiezyce and eradicated in 1943. He was deported to a satellite labor camp of Auschwitz, Blechhammer, where he traded portraits and drawings for food and made clandestine sketches of forced labor. Most of these works were lost when Blechhammer was evacuated. Mr. Spitzer walked for 15 days on the death march from Auschwitz to Buchenwald in 1945. He was liberated at Buchenwald and became an interpreter in an American army unit.

After the war, Mr. Spitzer went to Paris and, under American sponsorship, he entered the Academy of Fine Arts. Since his first one-man show in Paris in 1957, Mr. Spitzer has exhibited his works widely in France, Israel, and the United States. He has illustrated writings by Sartre, Malraux, and Montherlant. His works are in many Paris collections, including the Museum of Two World Wars, the Ghetto Fighters' House, the City of Paris, the National Library, the Museum of War, and the Museum of Jewish Art. Mr. Spitzer's paintings are also in the collections of the Victoria and Albert Museum in London, the Museum of Jerusalem, the Petit Palais in Geneva and many private collections both in France and abroad.

Mr. Spitzer has won many awards for his artistry, including the Prize of the Salon de Montreuil, the Grand Prize of Young Painters of Nationale des Beaux-Arts of Paris and the Prize of the Biennale of Manton.

In 1986, Mr. Spitzer was honored by the government of France with the award, Chevalier des Artes et Lettres.

Walter Spitzer's work will be on display through the month of September. The Center is open Monday to Friday, 10 to 5 p.m. For information, call 247-2787.

The Lowndes/Valdosta Cultural Art Center at 1204 North Patterson Street, Valdosta, Ga. 31602 will be hosting an Open House Reception on Thursday, September 3, 1992 from 5 to 7 pm for the exhibit of Walter Spitzer's works of art which will be on display the entire month of September. The Junior Service League will be hosting an additional reception on Sunday, September 20, 1992 from 2 to 5 p.m. We would like to see as many people as possible view this outstanding exhibit. This exhibit has artistic and historical significance in the fact that Walter Spitzer is a survivor of the Holocaust.

In addition to the exhibit we will have two video tapes, one featuring interviews with 6 artists who survived the Holocaust, one of whom is Walter Spitzer. The second tape is a review of Walter Spitzer's work including the few drawings that he was able to get out of Auschwitz. This particular tape is Walter Spitzer talking about his work.

Burton Bright, Director of the Lowndes/Valdosta Arts Commission stated "we are indeed fortunate to have an exhibit of international stature in our Community. Most of the art is for sale and many of the pieces feature affordable lithographs. I had the privilege to meet the artist in Paris in 1984 and to not only see his studio and work but also hear many of his stories."

For further information please contact the Art Center at 247-2787.

AUGUST
1992

SOUTHERN ARTIST LEAGUE

"ALL NEW STUFF"

In 1992 we decided to feature original artists' works in our full color promotional calendar. Working with Burt Bright, the Valdosta/Lowndes Arts Commission and the Southern Artists' League was a genuine pleasure. We had many compliments from those who received our calendar. We have decided once again to select works from artists around the South. We truly appreciate their outstanding talent and consider it a pleasure to promote the cultural arts of our area. The paintings selected for our 1993 Colson Printing Calendar are truly "Works of Art". We want to thank the artists who allowed us to print and share their work.

Sincerely, Wally Colson

BUILDING PERMIT
 CITY OF VALDOSTA
 City Hall • 216 E. Central Avenue
 Valdosta, Georgia 31601
 (912) 333-1806

Date Issued 6-18-92 Permit No. 9202101
 Contractor Lowndes - Valdosta Arts Comm.
 Owner Same
 Job Site Address 1204 N. Patterson St. Zone C-C
 Subdivision N/A Lot _____ Blk. _____ Section _____
 This Permit is for the construction of a FS

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR ANY SPECIAL CONDITIONS
 RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF THIS PERMIT


INSPECTIONS REQUIRED

BUILDING	ELECTRICAL	PLUMBING	HEAT - A/C	GAS
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Slab _____	Slab _____	Slab _____	Unit _____	Pressure Test _____
Slab _____	Rough In _____	Stack Out _____		Other _____
Framing _____	Rough In _____	Stack Out _____		
Framing _____	Service Only _____		Other _____	
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Other _____	M.H. Pole _____	Other _____		
	Other _____			
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 INC - Incomplete
 NA - Not Approved
 NP - No Permit


 BUILDING OFFICIAL



Lowndes / Valdosta Arts Commission
1204 N. Patterson Street
Post Office Box 1966
Valdosta, Georgia 31603-1966
Phone: (912) 247-ARTS

June 26, 1992

Dear Parents,

We are glad that your child had the opportunity to participate in our art work shop this Summer. Valdosta State College, the Cultural Arts Center and I will be hosting a Special Reception for the student, friends and Family on Friday, September 11th; 4:00PM at the Valdosta State College Fine Arts Building in the Gallery. This exhibit will be in conjunction with the arrival of the Olympic Train.

Mayor Jimmy Rainwater has formed an Olympic Flag Day Committee in order that our area properly host the Olympic Committee and train when it arrives in Valdosta on September 11, 1992. The active chairmen of the Committee are Ms. Rita Bumgarner of Tourism and Mr. Larry Hanson of Valdosta Parks and Recreation. We are assisting with artistic displays and events.

There will be a lot of activity on this day and the art work will be on display during the entire day. The art will be viewed by the members of the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games (ACOG), as well as many other VIPs who will be participating in workshops and meetings at the college on September 11th.

Watch the newspaper for details or call!

Regards,

Burton K. Bright
Executive Director
L/VAC

Regards,

Melody Milbrandt
Art Educator

CULTURAL ARTS CENTER

Summer Activities

Workshops * Classes
Special Activities

The Cultural Arts Center, 1204 North Patterson Street, announces Summer Workshops, Classes & Special Activities. The July and August schedule will include Multi-Media Art classes and Workshops for Kids 8-12.

Back by popular demand, we have Ms. Melody Millbrandt, who will be giving a workshop on watercolors, oil, and sketching.

The cost is thirty dollars per week. All supplies are furnished. This workshop is a special arrangement, so early sign-ups are encouraged as enrollment is limited.

For more information and registration call 247-2787. Limited scholarships are available.

ACTIVITIES	INSTRUCTOR	DATES	TIME	AGES	COST
MULTI-MEDIA ART	Melody	June 22-26	10-12	8-12	\$30
The use of	Millbrandt	June 29-	10-12	8-12	per
watercolors,		July 3			week
oil and	(Art	July 6-10	10-12	8-12	
sketching will	instructor	July 27-31	10-12	8-12	
be presented to	of the Year	Aug. 3-7	10-12	8-12	
the students	in Kansas)				

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Daybreak

LVAC Hosting Art Classes

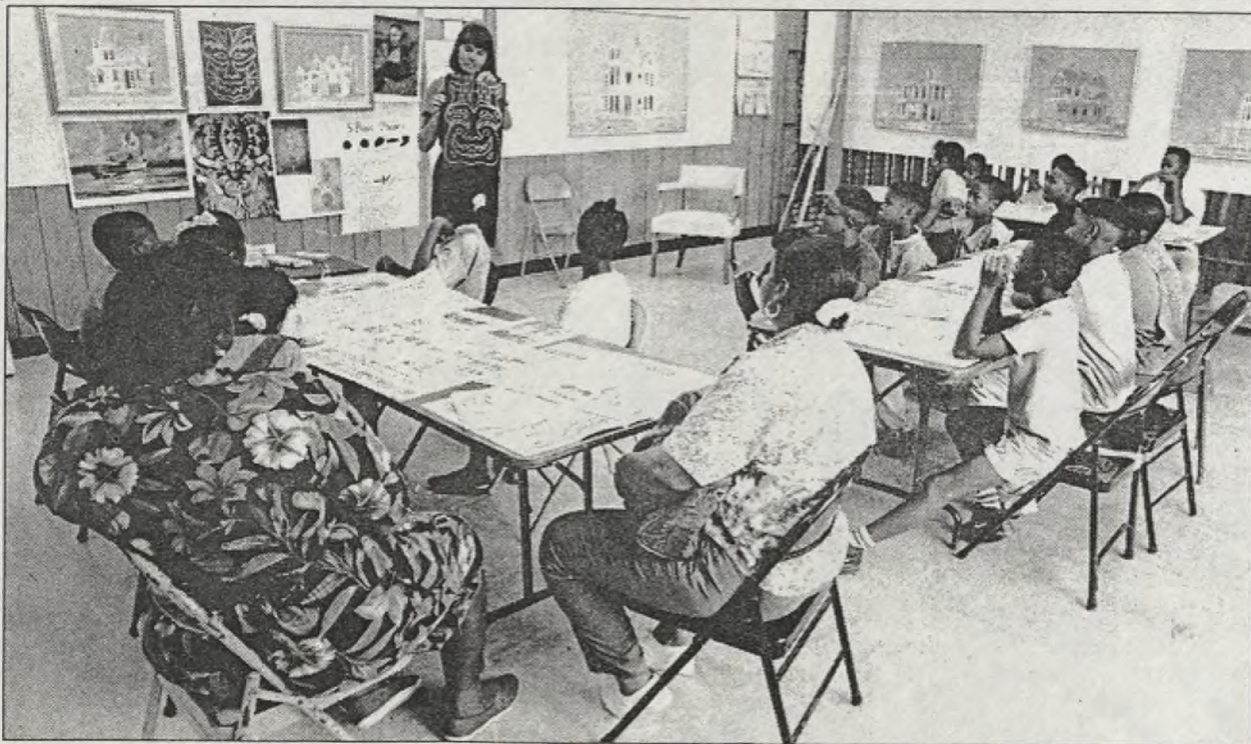
By KRISTINE HARNAGE
Times Staff Writer

The Lowndes/Valdosta Cultural Arts Center is hosting special art workshops for selected campers from Camp RELITSO.

The two-hour classes are conducted from 1 p.m.-3 p.m. on Thursdays throughout the summer at the center. Melody Milbrandt is instructing these classes, in addition to the weekly workshops at the center.

An exhibit of all of the students' work will be on display in the Fine Arts Gallery in the Fine Arts Building on the Valdosta State College campus Sept. 11. This exhibit will be part of the Olympic Flag Day activities.

Work In Progress will be available to view at the center, 1204 N. Patterson St., throughout the summer, according to Burt Bright, executive director of the Lowndes/Valdosta Arts Commission. For more information, call 247-2787.



Lowndes Valdosta Arts Commission art educator Melody Milbrandt shows an example of artwork that was done in her classes at LVAC — Times Photo by Paul Leavy.



Lowndes / Valdosta Arts Commission
1204 N. Patterson Street
Post Office Box 1966
Valdosta, Georgia 31603-1966

Phone: (912) 247-ARTS

September 14, 1992

Mayor James H. Rainwater
CITY OF VALDOSTA
P.O. Box 1125
Valdosta, GA 31603

Dear Mayor Rainwater:

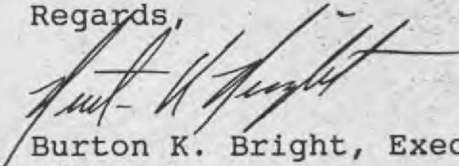
I want to thank you for letting me be part of the historical Olympic Flag Day event. I was particularly proud of the fact that all 8 hours of scheduled events went off without a hitch. We had no less than 350 and as many as 700 watching each of the entertainers. The event was exceptional due to the dedication of all the volunteers.

I would like to commend Mr. Randall McClellan and Mr. Pete Ganas for their tireless dedication in ensuring that the entertainment for the program moved smoothly. We started at 10:00 o'clock and finished at 7:00 at night with no major problems.

Please pass on my special thanks to the city employees that helped make this a great community.

It was my pleasure to serve on this committee, and I would be more than happy to assist your staff on any future project.

Regards,



Burton K. Bright, Executive Director
L/VAC



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April 7, 1992

Mr. Lee Gilmour, County Mgr.
Board of Commissioners
P.O. Box 1349
Valdosta, Ga. 31603-1349

Dear Lee,

Attached is the 92/93 budget for the Lowndes/Valdosta Arts Commission which was recently approved by our Board of Directors.

We are requesting the \$25,000 line item from the County which will be used for administration costs as follows:

Executive Director Salary.....	\$30,000
Full-time Assistant.....	\$11,500
Part-time Help.....	\$ 5,500
	\$47,000

The balance of \$3,000 will be used for contractual services for special projects as required.

This organization requires two full-time employees in order to effectively manage and operate the programs for which we are responsible. Rather than detail all of the programs, I have attached a Summary of our progress for your review.

Mrs. Dorothy Pearlman, Mr. Wilby Coleman (Chairman elect) and I are available to present detailed explanations to you and your staff.

Thank you very much for your cooperation and your past support.

Regards,

Burton K. Bright
Executive Director
L/VAC



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February 12, 1992

Dear Artist,

The Lowndes/Valdosta Arts Commission is sponsoring the 5th Annual Champagne Candlelight Art Show and Cultural Arts Exhibition in conjunction with the 1992 Arts Festival to be held April 2 through April 12, 1992.

As a special part of the Arts 1992 Festival, First State Bank & Trust Company will host an Art Exhibit featuring artists of the South. We would like to take this opportunity to invite you to participate in our showing.

We will inaugurate the Art Exhibit on Monday, April 6 with a Champagne Candlelight Preview Party from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. The guests for the Preview Party will include Patrons of the Lowndes/Valdosta Arts Commission, City and State Dignitaries, as well as you, our celebrated artists!

The art exhibit will contain approximately 190 2-dimensional and 3-dimensional pieces and will be on display at the First State Bank during regular bank hours from April 7 through April 10, 1992. Work will be carded and cataloged and sales will be encouraged. In 1991 over 1500 people viewed the exhibit at the Bank. The First State Bank show will be juried and approximately 85 2-dimensional and 3-dimensional pieces will be selected for exhibit at the Lowndes/Valdosta Cultural Art Center for a period from April 13 until May 31, 1992. This show will be judged and \$5,000 in prizes will be awarded. At the time of this mailing we have secured an additional \$6,000 in Purchase Awards and expect considerably more by show time. These exhibitions provide a showcase for both established and emerging artists in the Southeast United States.

Enclosed you will find a Prospectus and Application for the 1992 Exhibit. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me. We look forward to having you join us in this celebration of the Arts in Valdosta and Lowndes County.

Sincerely,

Burton K. Bright
Executive Director, L/VAC



FIRST STATE BANK & TRUST COMPANY
&
LOWNDES/VALDOSTA CULTURAL ART CENTER

ARTS FESTIVAL 1992 INFORMATION

• **CHAMPAGNE CANDLELIGHT ART EXHIBIT**

A Special Preview Showing to Invited Guests - Monday, April 6, 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. First State Bank & Trust Company, 527 North Patterson Street, Valdosta, Georgia.

• **ART EXHIBIT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Tuesday, April 7 - Friday, April 10, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Cultural Art Center Exhibit April 13 through May 31, 1992.

• **MEDIA:**

The Arts 1992 Exhibit is open to all media including photography. Hanging work not to exceed 42" width. Sculpture must be stable and not exceedingly heavy.

• **DELIVERY DATES:**

March 23 - March 27, 1992, First State Bank & Trust Company, 527 North Patterson Street, Valdosta, Georgia. 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

• **GENERAL INFORMATION:**

Because of limited exhibition space at First State Bank & Trust Company, applications are confirmed on a first come first served basis considering only the date and time the application is received, so please do not wait to enter. Deadline for acceptance of application is March 15, 1992. We will notify you if the show is full at the time your application is received. However, if you do not hear from us you might call to ensure your participation. No more than 2 pieces of art will be accepted from each artist. If you have previously shown for the show please exhibit work not already shown. If you are shipping paintings that normally use glass, please use plexiglass. All works must have screw eyes and wire or else they can not be used.

There is no juring process or fee required for participation in the First State Bank & Trust Exhibit, however; if your work is juried into the Cultural Art Center for an additional 6 weeks of exhibition and eligible for prize money, an entry fee of \$30.00 per artist shall be required payable to Lowndes/Valdosta Arts Commission (L/VAC) upon jury award notice. Purchase Awards will be applicable to the First State Bank & Trust Company exhibit and the Cultural Art Center Exhibit.

All work must remain in the show until its termination, whether sold or not. A 20% Commission will be paid to L/VAC on all sales.

Participating artists and one guest are invited to enjoy the Champagne Candlelight Art Exhibit Opening at no charge; a \$25 per person charge for all other attendees.

Work in the First State Bank & Trust Exhibit not juried into the Cultural Art Center Exhibit must be picked up or sent on April 13, 1992. Work at the Cultural Art Center Show will be picked up on June 2, 1992, or sent as the case may be.

- **LIABILITY**

All reasonable care will be exercised in the handling and exhibiting of works. All work will be insured while on exhibit. However, First State Bank & Trust Company and the Lowndes/Valdosta Arts Commission will not be responsible for loss or damage to any work in transit or for work left unclaimed after April 13, 1992 in respect to the First State Bank & Trust Company show and June 2 in respect to the Cultural Art Center Show.

- **SHIPPING:**

First State Bank & Trust Company, 527 North Patterson Street, Valdosta, Ga. 31601 ATTN: Joe Glenn Smith. (Hand delivery accepted at the address listed above from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday thru Friday.)

All other works must be shipped prepaid in reusable crates or sturdy cartons by United Parcel Service only. UPS does not accept parcels exceeding 108 inches in length plus girth or weighing over 50 pounds.

Artists must send a check or money order payable to Lowndes/Valdosta Arts Commission (L/VAC) for **RETURN POSTAGE**. Unless Return Postage has been received, First State Bank & Trust Company nor L/VAC can guarantee the return of work.

When shipping, please be sure your works have proper packaging and that you have used plexiglass instead of regular glass.

We look forward to having you join us for this sensational exhibit! Contact Burton K. Bright (912) 247-2787, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., Monday thru Friday, if you have any questions concerning the show.

- **APPLICATION:**

Please sign and date the attached application and be sure to check the appropriate block dealing with your willingness to participate in the juried and judged portion of the show.

1992

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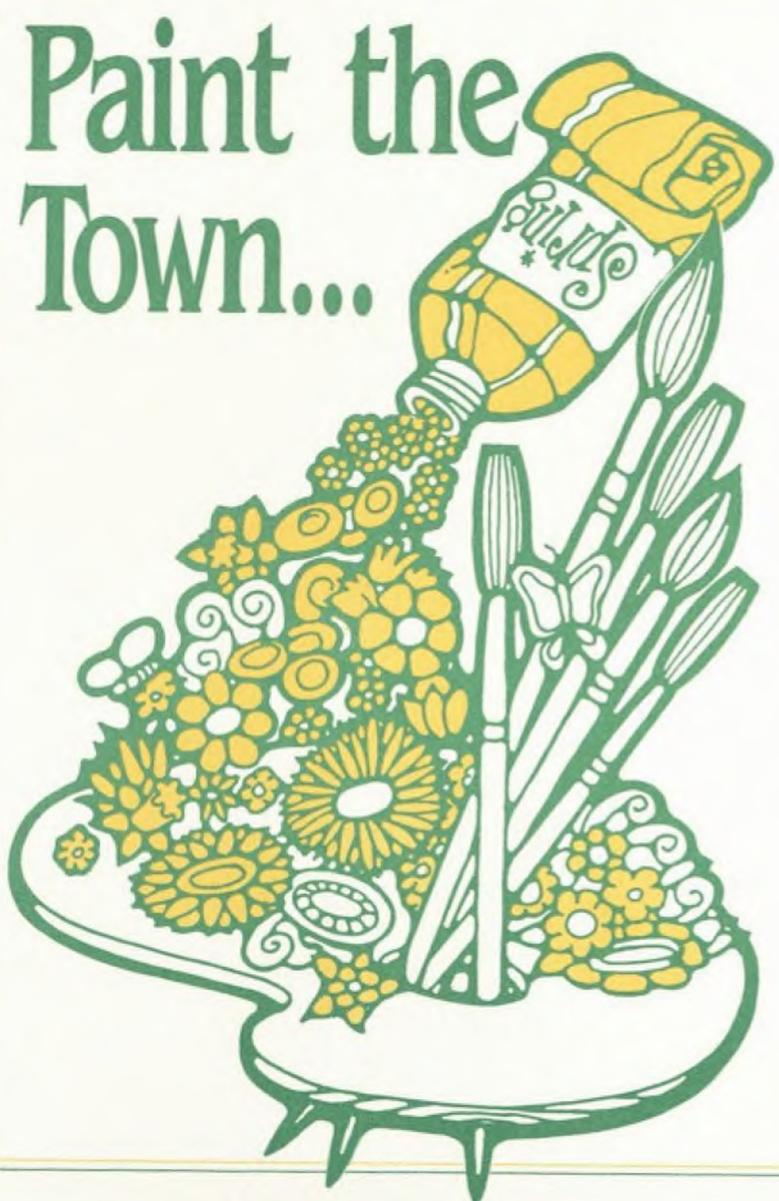
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Art Exhibit Attendance	2,773	7,351

20. ARTS COMMISSION

The following is a summary of our February activities:

- Hosted the Art of Mr. HeNeng, who is originally from Shanghai, China and now is residing in California. Over 400 students viewed the exhibit, including College, High School, and Elementary students.
- In honor of Black History Month, the Cultural Arts Center had an exhibition of African Art, Afro American Art, and National and local pictures and biographies of culturally significant Black Americans. This exhibit was viewed by 175 school students.
- The Center for Puppetry Arts of Atlanta held four (4) performances of "Dinosaurs" at Mathis Auditorium; 3500 students saw the production which was educational as well as entertaining. This was February 18 and 19. Tickets were only \$1.00. Over 300 children could not pay but were given complementary tickets.
- The Jacksonville Symphony played a Special Pops Concert February 27th. The County schools had 110 students attend at a special group rate.
- Plans are being finalized for ARTS FESTIVAL 92 from April 2-12.
- Summer Works plans are being finalized and dates and classes will be announced.

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*Lowndes / Valdosta Arts Commission
cordially invites you to
the 5th Annual
Champagne Candlelight
Art Exhibit & Sale
"Paint the Town"*

*Sponsored by and located at
First State Bank & Trust Company
to inaugurate the
Arts '92 Festival*

*Monday, April 6, 1992
7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
at First State Bank & Trust Company
527 N. Patterson Street*

*\$25 Per Person
Proceeds to Benefit
the Cultural Arts Center*