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Cultural Corner



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and just plain fun.

Valdosta State University will be conducting its first annual WRITER'S CONFERENCE on April 11-13 with an impressive assemblage of authors, journalists and poets, ranging from those on the NY Times best-seller list to those newly published from the South Georgia region. Aspiring writers will benefit form discussions on how to write and get published, and have the opportunity to mingle with the authors. For more information call 245-6484, or write to Suzanne Ewing, Continuing Education, Valdosta, Georgia 31698.

The Moody Officers' Wives Club is hosting a Gala Art Exhibit and Auction on Saturday, March 1, 1997 at the Officers' Open Mess at Moody Air Force Base. A preview will be held at 6:30 p.m. and the auction at 7:30 p.m. Admission is \$5 per person. Tickets can be purchased by calling 245-8657 or at the door. Art in all media and price ranges will be featured.

The Geogia Agrirama Living History Museum is holding a Fiddlers' Jamboree in conjunction with thier Folk Life Festival Saturday, April 19, 1997, 9:00a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Fiddlers are invited to come and play a few tunes at the Wiregrass Opry Stage between 11:00a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Come out for a day of fun with your fiddle and talk and play with other musicians on this day of Fiddler fellowhip. Please call by April 1, 1997 to register as a participant in this year's festivities. For information or registration call John Johnson or Deborah Beck at the Georgia Agrirama, 912-

386-3344.



Arts and Crafts-At the Craig Center every Tuesdays at 9:0am, .50 per class For more information, contact LeAnn Barne at 912-259-3571

SOUTH GEORGIA REGION-AL LIBRARY"Cooking up a Good Story: Storytelling and Puppetry": Local community storytellers and puppeteers will volunteer their time Feb. 15 at 10 a.m. to present lively traditional tales that are a basis for our literary heritage. This session will offer a variety of ways to involve children with books.Participants will receive free take-home activity packets designed to encourage reading and an appreciation of literature. Takes place at South Georgia Regional Library at 300 Woodrow Wilson Drive.

Amateur painters who have previous experience in any painting media and desire further instruction can register for the Intermediate and Advance Painting classs beginning Feb. 15. The course is taught on three Saturdays, Feb. 15-March 1. The class meets 10 a.m.-1 pm each day in the Yow Forestry/Wildlife Bldg., Room 108, on the Abraham Baldwin College campus. Cost of the course is \$49. Nell

Johnson is instructor for the course. For more information or to register for the course, contact the ABAC Office of Continuing Education at (912)386-3267.

VSU Cinema International presents "Good Evening Mr. Wallenberg" - the powerful true story of a Swedish businessman who saved thousands of Jews from extermination and then vanished. Directed by Kjell Erede. (Color; 115 minutes; Swedish w/ English subtitles; 1990) Feb. 17 at 7 p.m. at Pound Hall on North Campus. Admission is free.

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GRPA Senior "Talent showcase". for anyone 55 or older, what a tlent show performed by seniors, perform or watch at lagrange, georgia on February 21 & 22. Please contact Jerry Corbett or Karen Carter at 333-1817. A perfect showcase for your talent!! Fun and spirited companionship, while enjoying the sites in LaGrange and the surrounding areas. The Troup County Parks and Recreation Commission is sponsoring this year's exciting event in February! The Troup County Senior Center is this year's site and right off I-85 exit. This event is a positive program that spotlights the talents of our senior population. \$79.95 covers Motel room., chartered bus, meals and entertainment. Deadline to sign up for trip is February 6th. For more information contact Jerry Corbett at 333-1817.



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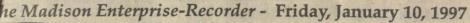
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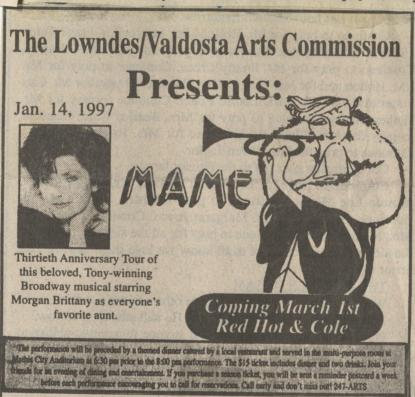
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LIFETIMES

TURSDAY



'Mame'

Morgan Brittany, best known for her role in 'Dallas,' will be starring in 'Mame,' at 8 p.m. Tuesday at Mathis Auditorium, with a pre-concert dinner at 6:30 p.m. Call the Cultural Arts Center at 247-2787 for ticket information and dinner reservations. — Contributed photo

L\VAC Cultural Arts Center presents The Inner Circle by Karin Murray

August 26 - September 30, 1996





Karin Murray August/September Main Gallery Exhibit Lowndes/Valdosta Arts Commission

Karin Murray, a native of Germany, received a Master of Fine Arts degree from the University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, in painting and printmaking. Prior to joining the Valdosta State University Art Department faculty, Ms. Murray served as art instructor and gallery director at Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS.

Karin Murray has varied teaching experience, has owned and operated her own gallery, and has directed numerous exhibitions and festivals. Her work has been presented in both group and solo exhibitions at the state, regional and national level, and she holds memberships in a number of professional organizations.

ARTIST'S STATEMENT

My work on exhibit is a blend of all my experiences in Europe and the United States. My individuality is expressed through a blend of traditional aspects of art with the contemporary impact of expression and abstraction.

On a formal level, I am keenly interested in the notion of composition and how the parts relate to form a whole.

The content of my work develops primarily by examining the nature of the human condition, man's relationship to his environment, manmade as well as the natural state. In my painting, Emergence, I am making reference to the mystery of deep abandoned spaces, such as water, outer space, and the unknown, which offers unsureness and a number of other possible emotions. I feel that each of us has his own boundaries, inner fears, turmoil, dreams, and weaknesses that become interwoven with our existence and living.

If asked why I have chosen these particular images, I would have to say that I create something that is important to me, my beliefs, inspirations, insights, and understanding of the world. In the course of each person's life, there are events, moments, and experiences which are unique and memorable. External forces join with internal forces, thoughts, emotions, and the imagination, to form a personal and singular reality for that person. My work is an exploration of my own reality and vision of the human condition.



Burggraf Lyrical Light paintings March 25 - April 30, 1996 Cultural Arts Center Valdosta, Georgia



Cultural Arts Center March-April 1996 Calendar of Events

Center Hours 10 am - 6 pm Mon.-Fri. 10 am - 4 pm Sat. 2 pm - 4 pm Sun.

MARCH - APRIL

March 25
Arts Center

5-7pm Ray Burggraf, 1996 -- Art Professor at Florida State University. Hand-brushed acrylic paintings on shaped wooden panels: a brilliant palette of color conveying space, time, weather, and terrain.

Walter Hobbes -- Pottery exhibit in the hall gallery.

April 6 8 p
Mathis Auditorium

8 pm Incredible Acrobats of China -- China's premier acrobatic dance troop. Phenomenal!

6:30pm Pre-concert Dinner -- Have another Evening to Remember. Call 247-2787 for tickets and reservations.

April 9

7-9pm First State Bank Candlelight & Champagne Exhibit & Benefit. An elegant evening of good food, good wine, and exquisite art at the First State Bank. Not to be missed. Call for reservations: \$25 per person.

New Adult & Children's Art Classes, Drama, Writing, Crochet, Furniture Painting, Calligraphy, Floral Design & Yoga Classes, starting in April.

For more information, call 247-2787.

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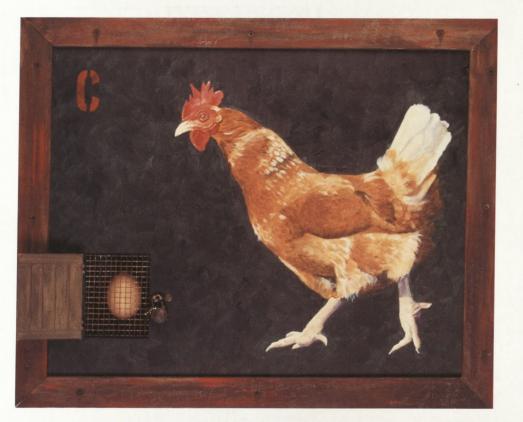
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Best of the First State Bank Show

"C"
Anthony A. Brown
Mixed Media
May 6 - May 30, 1996
Cultural Arts Center
Valdosta, Georgia



Cultural Arts Center

May 1996 Calendar of Events Center Hours 10 am - 6 pm Mon.-Fri. 10 am - 4 pm Sat. 2 pm - 4 pm Sun.

MAY

May 6 Come see The Best of the First State Bank Show. Seventy-five 5-7 pm juried pieces, and \$2,500 in prizes will be announced.

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	(Marilyn Henderson)
4th Place 3-dimensional	Southern Stationery
4th Place 2-dimensional	Partnership Rehabilitation
	(Jane R. Davis)

George King Exhibit of wood carvings in Hall Gallery. Reception Monday, May 6, 5-7pm, free and open to the public.

Adult's & Children's Art Classes, Writing, Crochet, Calligraphy, Floral Design & Yoga Classes, starting in May.



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Life in Watercolor

January 15 -February 21, 1996

Cultural Arts Center Valdosta, Georgia



Cultural Arts Center

January-February 1996 Calendar of Events

Center Hours:

10 am - 6 pm Mon.-Fri. 10 am - 4 pm Sat. 2 pm - 4 pm Sun.

JANUARY - FEBRUARY

January 9 8pm Mathis Auditorium

5 Guys Named Moe -- Winner of Tony Award and Outstanding Entertainment of the Year -- Big League Theatricals presents Broadway stage play of Louis Jordan's songs and Charles Augins' choreography.

NOT TO BE MISSED!

6:30pm

Pre-concert Dinner -- Have another Evening to Remember. Call 247-2787 for tickets and reservations.

January 15 5-7pm LIFE IN WATERCOLOR -- Mary Borshard -

Arts Center

Acclaimed Fernandina Beach watercolorist exhibits in main gallery. Sculpture by Hollis Barnett, Valdosta State University Professor, in Hall Gallery. Free and open to the public. Tours for groups and schools. Reception 5-7pm. Shows to run through February 21.

January 25 7pm Mathis Auditorium

OUR TOWN-- Special offering (\$5) -- See the play you read in school done professionally by the Georgia Mountain Touring Company at Mathis Auditorium. Blue grass music, fiddles & steel guitars, and Stacy Perry. Call 247-2787 for tickets.

New Adult & Children's Art Classes, Drama, Writing, Crochet, Furniture Painting, Calligraphy, & Yoga Classes, starting in January.

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The Lowndes/Valdosta Arts Commission

presents the 9th Annual

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Tuesday, April 9, 1996

7 p.m. - 9 p.m.

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Cultural Arts Guild Meeting

A Taste of Christmas

December 6, 10:30 A.M. Lowndes/Valdosta Arts Center

The Cultural Arts Guild cordially invites you to start your Christmas off in an old-fashioned way. The board members will be bringing their favorite cookies, bring yours if you like—
recipes optional. Christmas cheer will be served.

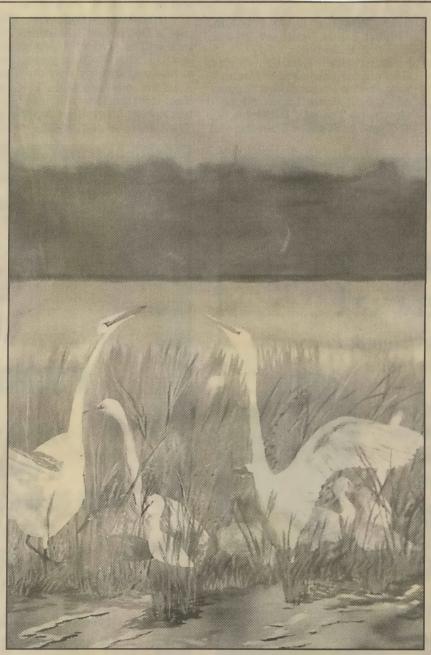
If you haven't already renewed your membership for the year, you may do so at this meeting.

RSVP: 247-2787



'Charlotte's Web'

On Wednesday, at 7 p.m. at Mathis Municipal Auditorium, the Lowndes/Valdosta Arts Commission will be presenting the classic story of 'Charlotte's Web.' From left are Mark Failey as the sheep, Kelly Finley as Wilbur the Pig, Cuang Thinguyen as Templeton the Rat, Jamie Askew as the goose and Kanthy Janson as Charlotte the Spider. Tickets are \$2 at the door, or call 247-ARTS. — Contributed photo



Artist of the Month

VALDOSTA — The Southern Artists League has chosen Venessa Loud as its Artist of the Month.

Some of her art work, including the one at left, may be seen in the lobby of *The Valdosta Daily Times*.

Born and raised in Roxbury, Mass., Mrs. Loud has been painting for two years. Her media are watercolors and oils.

In addition to her painting, Mrs. Loud also creates collages. She uses photos, paints around the edges and uses an epoxy, "so they will last a lifetime."

"It takes about a year to make a collage," Mrs. Loud said. "I don't just use any pictures they have to be led to me."

Mrs. Loud has taken art courses at L/VAC, but has no other formal training.

"It usually appeared in the classes that I could not paint—even to myself," she said. "But in my prayer time, I always asked God to show me how to paint a certain picture, and the Holy Spirit would teach me.

"My prayer time with the Lord Jesus is the whole foundation to my art ability."

According to Mrs. Loud, painting brings her tranquility of mind and spirit.

"I also feel blessed because my husband (Sammy Loud) loves my art, and he pushes me to paint," she said. "He motivates me a lot, and he reminds me of this blessed gift I have and that I must keep painting."

SAL

December 1996 Newsletter



Prez Sez

Our gift shop looks good. We can still accept items that can sit on the shelf, and the wall space can be hung as space is available. Our thanks to Roberta George, Elaine Kent and Adann-Kenn Alexxandar for selling and doing the bookwork, I remember the days when we burned out some of our best people scheduling, selling and doing book work. Also, the money for a building upkeep keeps getting to be more of a burden.

The Colson Calendar presentation will be on December 30th from 5:00-7:00 PM. We will bring the food and punch. Perhaps the Center will supply the wine. This will change our usual plans.

For our regular meeting, December 16th, at 7:00, we can have a Christmas party. Everyone bring finger food and we will just socialize. Bring a guest if you like.

Our thanks to Dr. J. Davis who led us down the canals and streets of Venice. She surveyed the buildings and art from the view of Art History. From all reports it was an exceptional meeting. All the more special because she was recovering from a nasty bug.

No one has come up with any artists or projects for the Grassroot Grant but there is no reason why we can't fund projects in which our members are interested, so think about it. Papermaking by Karin Murray, and raku pottery by Stephen Anderson and Walter Hobbs have been suggested. We also could invite out-of-town artists. You have to show interest



November Minutes

The Southern Artists' League met Monday, November 18, 1996 at the Lowndes/Valdosta Arts Commission Building, 1204 North Patterson Street, Valdosta, Georgia. 16 members were present.

President Betty Smith called the meeting to order.

The October minutes were not read as they were in the last SAL Newsletter.

Treasurer, Betty Catoe reported a balance of \$2363.82.

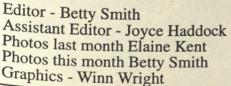
Dr. J. Davis of VSU Art Department presented a program of slides and a lecture on Venice, Italy.

Refreshments were served.

Meeting adjourned.

Joyce Haddock, Secretary

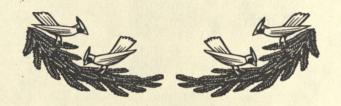






The Colson Calender give away Party, Dec. 30th, 5-7 Pm, will be a covered dish style dinner. Bring a vegetable or dessert, the Center will supply the meat. Think of it as a Pre-New Year's Party!

The long process of getting on the internet is being finalized as we "go to press." More pages can be added as needed. Our e-mail is: SAL@surfsouth.com & our pages can be viewed worldwide at http://surfsouth.com/~SAL.





28th annual Valdosta Daily Times Cookbook coming

Artist of the Month

League feature artist for June is Ferrell Harris.

Her works may be seen in the lobby of The Valdosta Daily Times.

Ms. Harris has been a member of the League for five years.

"I enjoy participating with this wonderful group of artists who are continually striving to share their art work with our community."

Ms. Harris is also a fulltime echocardiographer at South Georgia Medical Center. She has 18 years of scanning experience in the field of cardiac ultrasound.

"Ultrasound is an art form within itself, allowing us to obtain the best possible images of the heart for diagnostic purposes," Ms. Harris said. "As an artist uses paints and brushes to create a work of art, the ultrasound technologist optimizes the equipment in order to obtain beautiful as well as accurate

The Southern Artist results. It is truly a pleasure to me, as well as beneficial to the patients, to work with the most advanced equipment available."

She is also a non-traditional, part-time student at Valdosta State University, School of The Arts. She considers herself "a traditional painter, interested in creating art work that is aesthetically pleasing to the viewer." Commissioned work is most rewarding to Ms. Harris as she believes that it establishes a relationship between the artist and the

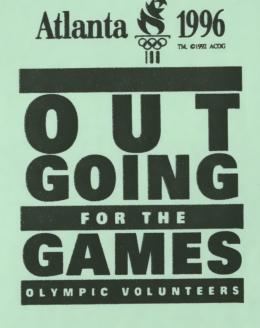
Ms. Harris appears to be very dedicated to her work. "I put my whole heart into my art work, as I think all true artists do. We are hopelessly obsessed, but it's a great obsession and very rewarding."

Her work can also be seen at any of the local art shows and several local business-



Artist Ferrell Harris is pictured with one of the paintings she has on display at The Valdosta Daily Times. Volunteer applications for the 1996 Olympic Games will be available on

Tuesday, February 7 at Lowndes/Valdosta Cultural Arts Center from 12pm-7pm



Olympic officials will be on hand to answer questions and explain the application process.