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#### April 5 - May 2

### Watercolor Collective



Morning in the Marsh by Don Pettigrew



#### **Cultural Arts Center**

Calendar of Events April 1999 Center Hours 10 am - 6 pm Mon.-Fri. 10 am - 4 pm Sat. 2 pm - 4 pm Sun.



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April 5, 5 - 7 pm Reception Main Gallery

#### Watercolor Collective

Featured artists are from Atlanta's exclusive Watercolor Collective: Cher Thompson of Suwanee, GA, Chris Hartsfield, Birmingham, AL; Frank Broadhurst, Atlanta, GA, Gustavo Castillo & Carmen Lagos, Bristle, FL; Gary Curtis, Woodstock, GA; Ralph Taylor, Phoenix City, AL; Eva Macie and Carolynn Mann, Atlanta; Lucy Hargrove Weigle, Augusta; Lala Street, Buford, GA; and currated by charter member, Don Pettigrew. His wildlife paintings are included in public and private collections on five continents and from Maine to Hawaii in the United States.

Hall Gallery

#### Lindsey Brice

Award winning photography by Lindsey Brice, hailing from New York, California, and Valdosta.

Adult's & Children's Art Classes, Yoga Classes on Wednesday 6-7:30 pm, (Free) Social Dance by Beth Strickland on Sundays, Writing classes (Free) on Saturdays.

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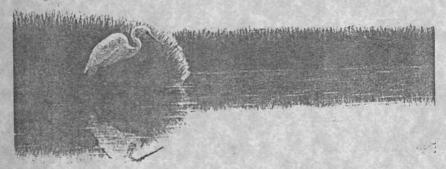
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## "Watercolor Collective" Curated by Don Pettigrew



Morning in the Marsh by Don Pettigrew

April 1999 Lowndes/Valdosta Cultural Arts Center 1204 N. Patterson Street





### Cultural Arts Center Calendar of Events March 1999

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

March 15, 5 - 7 pm Reception Main Gallery Voices of the Past, Speaking to the Present Withlacoochee Quilter's Guild

Antique and present-day prize winning quilts, many with family histories, will be hanging in the main gallery. "Even back in the 1800's, women kept diaries. They just slept under them."

Hall Gallery

Chris Valle of Leesburg, Florida, and graduate of VSU, will exhibit his oil and mixed-media work. He will be having a show at the Agora Gallery in Soho, New York City in June.

Adult's & Children's Art Classes, Writing Classes, Yoga Classes, starting in March. Adult and Children's Dance Classes starting.

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#### "Voices of the Past Speaking to the Present'

Withlacoochee Quilters' Guild Exhibit



Silk - Log Cabin - Black & White

March 1999

Lowndes/Valdosta Cultural Arts Center
1204 N. Patterson Street

### Withlacoochee Quilters' Guild BIO

The Lowndes/Valdosta Arts Commission is hosting an exhibit by The Withlacoochee Quilters Guild, opening reception on March 15th 5-7PM in the galleries at 1204 N. Patterson St. The show is scheduled to remain up until April 2nd.

For the past ten years, women and men of Valdosta and surrounding areas have gathered around tables and quilting frames sharing knowledge and ideas. In September 1986, The Withlacoochee Quilters Guild officially became a non-profit organization. Currently 73 members strong, the guild is open to anyone - all ages, all races and both sexes.

Dedicated to community, The Withlacoochee Quilters have donated quilts to organizations such as the Haven Women's Shelter, Methodist Children's Home (one for every child and one for the hall), The Pregnancy Support Center and nursing homes. In 1996, Olympic gift quilts were donated to other countries at the games in Atlanta. Visitors at The South Georgia Regional Library may have seen the Guild's quilt and banners in the main room of the library on Woodrow Wilson Drive in Valdosta.

For Black History Month, at completion is "The Underground Railroad" quilt in honor of Harriet Tubman, a famous African-American civil rights leader. The Guild had it ready for hanging in the Southside Library at the end of February.

The Pearlman Cancer Center's main entrance hall in mid-March will house the quilt that was given to Gil Harbin (deceased) when he was the President of the Chamber of Commerce.

To raise funds for their projects, every other year The Guild holds a raffle. Funds are used for materials and instructors such as Marti Michelle, a renowned instructor and pattern maker from Atlanta who conducted a seminar last year, and John Flynn who teaches on T.V. and owns a pattern company.

The Quilters meet each 3rd Monday, 7:30PM at the library on Woodrow Wilson Dr., Valdosta, and every Wednesday morning at Grace Bible Church Social Hall on Park Avenue, 10AM. For further information on meeting times and places, contact Carmen Riffle, president of the Guild, (912) 219-0153.

## ChrisValle



Hall Gallery Exhibit

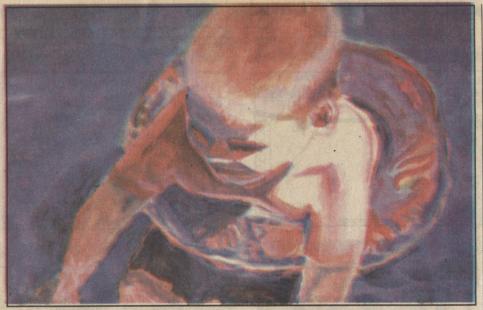
February/March 1999 Lowndes/Valdosta Cultural Arts Center Valdosta, Georgia

#### **CHRIS VALLE**

1.	The Dutch Master Acr	rylic/Oil on Paper/Canvas	\$2,500
2.	Escape Acr	rylic/Cement/Tar/	
	Bar	bed Wire on Paper/Canvas	\$2.000
3.	It's in My Reach Acr	rylic and Oil on Canvas	\$3.000
4.	The Dirty Dozen Oil	& Collage on Canvas	\$3,000
5.	The Swimming Lesson I O	il & Acrylic on Canvas	\$2,000
6.	The Swimming Lesson III	Oil, Acrylic on Paper	\$1,000
7.	The Swimming Lesson IV	Oil, Acrylic on Paper	\$1,000
8.			\$1,000
9.	In Your Face	Oil/Acrylic on Paper	\$1,800
10.	. Don't Look Down on Me	Screenprint (Unframed)	\$ 150
11.			\$2,000
12.	Dazed and Confused Acr		\$ 500
13.	. Sunbath Acr	ylic/Oil on Masonite	\$ 500
14.	Wounded Acrylic/Cement/Tar, Wire on Paper		\$2,000
15.		ment/Tar on Metal and Paper	\$2,000

Chris Valle was born in Leesburg, Florida, and will receive his (BFA) Bacholor of Fine Arts from Valdosta State University in the spring. He plans to attend a graduate program and has been accepted by the University of Florida. Chris' awards include the 1995 Camden County's Top Gun Award (Best Artist); a Freshman Art Scholarship at Valdosta State University; the First Year Scholar Award at VSU; and the National All-American Collegiate Scholar.

Chris says he's been drawing and painting all his life and it became second nature to him. He likes oils and mixed-media, always trying to come up with his own style. This past year he went to New York for a weekend, showed his portfolio to the Agora Gallery in Soho, and they invited him to have a show in June.



'The Swimming Lesson I' (detail), oil & acrylic on paper, Chris Valle.



'The Dirty Dozen', oil, Chris Valle.

## The Natural Valle exhibit lives

**Staff Reports** 

VALDOSTA — Valdosta State University student Chris Valle's paintings are currently on exhibit in the Hall Gallery, Lowndes/Valdosta Arts Commission, 1204 N. Patterson St.

With the show running through April 1, Valle says "Art is as natural to me as eating or breathing. I must paint every day. I've always enjoyed watercolors, but for the past two years have worked more in oils.

"I start with a painting underneath, find my subject and lose it again — the paint becomes the object. I enjoy textures and working with untraditional things like tar and linoleum."

In June, Valle will be part of a three-person art show at Agora Gallery, New York City.

Valle credits VSU Professor Harry Ally as an influence on his work.



6A — Thursday, March 18, 1999

#### **Norris Exhibit**

VALDOSTA — With the exception of framed prints in most bank lobbies, the world of art and banking rarely come to mind simultaneously.

After all, bankers often bring to mind men in staid suits and ties, while artists conjure images of paint-spattered clothes.

Eddie Norris, Valdosta, is the exception.

He is both a successful banker and a successful artist. He is president and CEO of First State Bank & Trust and last month, Norris was named the State of Georgia's Artist of the Year.

From 5-7 p.m. Monday, a reception will be held for Norris and his works at the Lowndes/Valdosta Arts Commission, 1204 N. Patterson St., with the

work on display during the days following.

During a banquet to honor Norris (*pictured below*) as the state's Artist of the Year, he presented his painting, "Fall Feathers in South Georgia," to Gov. Roy Barnes to hang in the permanent collection of the Governor's Mansion.

It was a long way from when his wife, Ann Norris, gave him his first set of watercolors 25 years ago.

Watercolor remained Norris' medium as he learned his chops with the brush, as he studied under nationally known watercolorists, and as he began to exhibit his work and win shows.

In 1987, Norris established the "Spring Into Art Candlelight Exhibit" held every April, First State Bank, which features artists from South Georgia and as faraway as New York and Miami.

And now being named the state's Artist of the Year,

Norris has come a long way.

"This is a great distinction for South Georgia, Lowndes County and the City of Valdosta," says Roberta George, LVAC executive director.

Look for more local entertainment on 8A today, and in Friday's Living section.



The Lowndes/Valdosta Arts Commission presents the 12th Annual

### Art Benefit

Monday, April 19th, 1999

6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

First State Bank & Trust Company 527 N. Patterson Street

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Lowndes/Valdosta Arts Commission cordially invites you to the 12th Annual

### Art Benefit

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Candlelight Buffet

\$25 Donation per person
Proceeds to benefit the Cultural Arts Center



## Lowndes – Valdosta Arts Commission

### Art Exhibit & Sale



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Gary R. Zeigler, CPA



'Sherbert Walls', acrylic, Benjamin Winslow.

### High school exhibit opens

VALDOSTA — The Invitational Regional High School Exhibition opens today, Lowndes/Valdosta Arts Commission, 1204 N. Patterson St. Featuring dozens of works from area high school students, the show is sponsored by both LVAC and Valdosta State University's Department of Art. The show runs through Jan. 14, when a reception will be held from 3-4 p.m. *More info: (912) 247-2787*.

## Valdosta artist part of PBS show

VALDOSTA — Local artist Wilby Coleman (pictured) and his three-dimensional metal sculptures are featured in a televised production focusing on Georgia's diverse collection of artists.

The show premiered earlier this week and is scheduled to air again 12:30 p.m. S u n d a y, GPTV/PBS.

T h e footage of

Coleman was shot by local cameraman Tommy Connell.

The Coleman segment looks not only at his unique style and medium, but also how he transformed himself from a prominent local attorney to a wellknown artist.

### Reminder Artists' Homecoming



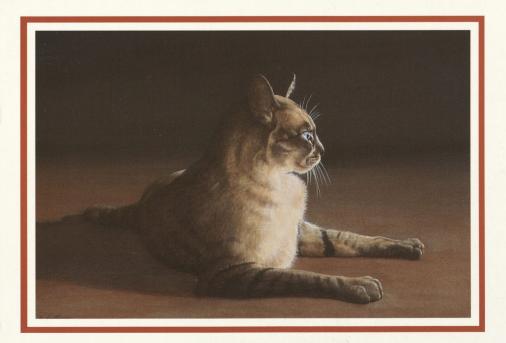
No Slides Required
Entries Accepted in Order Received
\$2,500 in Prizes

### "Spring Into Art" Exhibit at First State Bank in Valdosta, Georgia

#### **Announcing Judges:**

Dr. Jack Cheatham, Previous Director of the Madison-Morgan Arts Center and Art Professor at Augusta State UniversityDr. Lanny Webb, Professor of Art at the University of Georgia

Call (229) 247-2787 for more information.



Don Pettigrew: *Bert* 

BEST OF THE Spring-Into-Art EXHIBIT

**MAIN GALLERY** 

MAY 11 - JUNE 5 Cultural arts center



#### **Cultural Arts Center**

Calendar of Events May 1998

#### **Center Hours**

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

May 11, 5 - 7 pm Reception Main Gallery

#### The Best of the Spring-Into-Art Exhibit

One hundred and twenty-five juried pieces from the Spring-Into-Art Exhibit sponsored by the First State Bank will be on display, and \$2,500 in prizes will be awarded. Other sponsors are: Sidney & Dorothy Pearlman, Anonymous Friends, Georgia Power, Joli Antiques, Phillip & Margaret Mittiga, The Park Avenue Bank, Mr. & Mrs. James Dewar, Jr., Miller Hardware, Turners Fine Furniture, Valdosta Bank & Trust, Dr. Richard & Julianna Howard, Bosch Oldsmobile, Classic Art & Frame, Girardin Jewelers, Tommy Griner, Inc., Jim Hinton Oil Company, Mom & Dad's Restaurant, T.M. Poly-Film, The New World Baglery & Planet Smoothie, VSU Art Department, Teamtemps Personnel Staffing, Ferrell & Pam Scruggs, Charlie Trippers Restaurant, Eddie & Ann Norris, Bill & Lucille Sineath, Larry & Dawn Rodgers.

Hall Gallery

Jerry Tillman's Collection of Makonde Art

Mathis Auditorium The Velveteen Rabbit at 10:30 a.m., May 4th, \$2. Tickets may be purchased at the gate.

Matting & Framing Workshop

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., Sat., May 9th bring bagged lunch,

\$50, Supplies furnished.

Adult's & Children's Art Classes, Writing and Yoga Classes starting in May & June.

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# A Midsummer Night's Dream

### Study Guide

#### THE PLAYWRIGHT



Shakespeare, William (1564-1616), the supreme English poet and playwright, is recognized in much of the world as the greatest of all dramatists.

A complete, authoritative account of Shakespeare's life is lacking; much supposition surrounds relatively few facts. His date of birth is traditionally held to be April 23; it is known he was baptized on April 24, 1564 in Stratford-upon-Avon, Warwickshire, England. The third of eight children, he was the eldest son of John Shakespeare, a locally prominent merchant, and Mary Arden, daughter of a Roman Catholic member of the landed gentry. He was probably educated at the local grammar school. In 1582 he married Anne Hathaway, the daughter of a farmer. He is supposed to have left Stratford after he was caught poaching in the deer park of Sir Thomas Lucy, a local justice of the peace. Shakespeare and Anne Hathaway produced a daughter in 1583 and twins—a boy and a girl—in 1585. The boy did not survive.

Shakespeare apparently arrived in London about 1588 and by 1592 had attained success as an actor and a playwright. Shortly thereafter, he secured the patronage of Henry Wriothesley, 3rd earl of Southampton. The publication of Shakespeare's two fashionably erotic narrative poems Venus and Adonis (1593) and The Rape of Lucrèce (1594) and of his Sonnets (1609) established his reputation as



This Martin Droeshout's engraving from the title page of the First Folio is one of two authentic likenesses of Shakespeare in existence.

a gifted and popular Renaissance poet. The Sonnets describe the devotion of a character, often identified as the poet himself, to a young man whose beauty and virtue he praises and to a mysterious and faithless dark lady with whom the poet is infatuated. The ensuing triangular situation, resulting from the attraction of the poet's friend to the dark lady, is treated with passionate intensity and psychological insight. However, Shakespeare's modern the state of the seed mainly on the 38 plays that he apparently wrote modified or collaborated as Although



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## The Prince and the Pauper

By MARK TWAIN

Adapted for the stage by AURAND HARRIS

## Study Guide



#### THE AUTHOR

MARK TWAIN (1835-1910) Twain's real name was Samuel Langhorne Clemens. He was born in the town of Florida, Missouri and was raised in Hannibal, Missouri near the Mississippi River. Shortly after the death of his father in 1847, Twain worked for his brother's newspaper, the Orion's "Hannibal Journal." He later worked as a printer in several cities in the Northeast but continued to contribute to his brother's paper under pseudonyms. He learned how to operate a steamboat while in New Orleans in 1857 and made use of this skill until the start of the Civil War. In the early 1860's Twain was a writer for the Virginia City Territorial Enterprise during which time he adopted the "Mark Twain" name, taken from a steamboat term. He went to San Francisco in 1864 and gained national attention for his story The Celebrated Jumping Frog of Calaveras County. Twain married Olivia Langdon of Elmira, New York in 1870 and moved the following year to Hartford, Connecticut. His writings the following years included Roughing It (1872), The Gilded Age written with Charles Dudley Warner (1875), and his acclaimed Tom Sawyer (1875). Following a trip to Europe in 1878-79 Twain wrote A Tramp Abroad (1880), The Prince and the Pauper (1882), and a few years later, A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court (1889). In 1884 he published through his own company The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn considered to be his greatest work. In 1894 Twain declared bankruptcy due to business failures. Works that followed include The Tragedy of Pudd'nhead Wilson (1894), Tom Sawyer Abroad (1894) and Tom Sawyer, Detective (1896). While Twain later recovered financially, he was struck with the tragic deaths of his daughter Susy in 1896 and his wife in 1904. Twain's later works included The Man That Corrupted Hadleyburg (1898) and What Is Man? (1906).

#### THE PLAYWRIGHT

J. Aurand Harris (1915-1996) is the most produced playwright for young audiences in America. His masterpieces have enriched the literature of children's theatre. He has taught drama in elementary and high schools and in leading universities throughout the United States, and prior to his death, in New York, in 1996, he taught at New York University in New York City. He has directed plays in high schools, colleges, and community and summer theaters.

### Nostalgia: Old farm equipment restored in artistic mode

By Dwain Walden THOMSON SOUTH GEORGIA

ne man's junk is another man's treasure ... so it has been said. Joe and Laverne Norman, Moultrie, may have one of the largest repositories of old farm equipment in South Georgia — pieces they have salvaged from junk yards, old homesites and fence rows from as near as next door

and as far away as Colorado.

But their collections are not just heaps of old stuff. It's their presentation of these relics that causes second glances as motorists pass by their "get-away" pond house on Highway 33 near Spence Field. These implements have been restored — some in working order — and figured into their landscape, taking on art forms that change with the seasons as witnessed by a turn-ofthe-century John Deere manure spreader filled with hay and pumpkins.

"A couple from Texas stopped the other day and asked if they could get out and take a look," says Mrs. Norman, who, like her husband, is a Colquitt County native. "They had a good

time looking around.'

Throughout South Georgia, old farming implements have been converted to art forms as they grace driveways, hearths, mantels, front porches and patios. It's not uncommon to see a mailbox mounted from an old plow stock or from a pot-bellied stove. In Grady County near Ochlocknee, a driveway entrance is marked by two old one-horse guano distributors. At Sand Hill in Brooks County, an old rusty seeder hosts an array of fall



File photo

Wilby Coleman, Valdosta, translated some old, farm equipment into the likeness of sunflowers.

flowers. And throughout the South, one finds genuine heartpine split rails that have been salvaged from old farm sites to line the boundaries of upscale dwellings.

While some viewers may see these displays mostly in a landscaping venue, others find themselves walking down memory lane, perhaps lost in their childhood for a few moments remembering the sounds, the touch, the faces, the seasons and maybe even the smells. Each item can birth hours of conversation.

Valdosta artist Wilby Coleman has found numerous uses for old farm equipment, as well as other pieces of metal, left for the scrap heap. He turns plow blades into faces, cogs into

flowers, chicken wire and springs into chickens.

The nationally known artist's work is currently on display through October at the Lowndes/Valdosta Arts Center, 1204 N.

# Living

10A - Thursday, Dec. 9, 1999

THE VALDOSTA DAILY TIMES

## Valdosta Choral Guild sings 'Joy To The World'

Staff reports

VALDOSTA — The Valdosta Choral Guild sings "Joy To The World" — a collection of Christmas carols and other traditional holiday songs, 3 p.m. Sunday, 8 p.m. Monday, Mathis City Auditorium, 2311 Williams St., says Molly Scholtz, guild member.

"This is a very traditional program," Scholtz says.
"All the pieces should be familiar. There are a few
twists here and there to keep things interesting, but
the carols and holiday favorites will allow everyone to

hum along." Selections include "Joy To The World,"
"Go Tell It on The Mountain," "Let It Snow," "Winter
Wonderland," "Sleigh Ride," "The Christmas Song."
Five songs feature a brass ensemble representing Valdosta State University faculty and students.

"This year's Choral Guild is quite strong, particularly the men's sections," says Dr. Lynn Corbin, guild director. "The entire choir has a warm and balanced sound and we have several wonderful soloists: John Akers, Valerie Fisher and Deborah Roush. And, of course, Doris Stanley is our superb accompanist."

The show includes a selection of "snow songs that happened by accident as I was selecting the repertoire," Corbin says.

"I just kept pulling things off the shelf that I knew everyone would enjoy, and I ended up with all these songs about snow. I guess for us transplants it will bring memories of winters where we grew up and still visit. And for (Valdosta) natives, hopefully, they will have visions of snow too."

Tickets: \$5 and \$3. More info: (912) 247-ARTS.