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Dixie Art Colony Foundation Announces Event Schedule for the Year 2020

Wetumpka, Alabama—The Dixie Art Colony Foundation is pleased to announce its schedule of exhibitions and educational programs for the year 2020. According to Mark Harris, founder, and director of the foundation, the 2020 schedule will be their busiest and most robust schedule thus far. “We will be on the road more this year and expanding our partnerships with other organizations and municipalities,” stated Harris. Some of the foundation’s 2020 partners include the following: City of Andalusia, Andalusia Area Chamber of Commerce, Lower Alabama Arts Coalition, Covington County Historical Society, City of Florala, Tri-Cities Chamber of Commerce, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, University of Alabama, Jasmine Hill Gardens & Outdoor Museum, Montgomery Art Guild, Elmore County Art Guild, Tallassee Community Development Corporation, Tallassee Area Chamber of Commerce, McCraney-Cottle Arts Council, Trinity Episcopal Church, and the Watercolor Society of Alabama.

In keeping with the foundation’s mission to preserve cultural history, promote the arts, and help stimulate and promote the area’s creative economy, sites like the City of Andalusia have been strategically selected for inclusion in the DAC Foundation’s “On The Road” exhibitions and programs. Andalusia was an obvious choice, said Harris. “The City of Andalusia is doing a fantastic job in so many areas. For a city with a population under 10,000, their downtown revitalization projects are among the finest to be found anywhere. The impressive series of outdoor murals by Alabama’s professional muralist Wes Harden and the beautifully restored and repurposed historic school buildings are only part of the city’s commitment to the preservation of history and the promotion of the arts.” Other indicators of the city’s commitment to the humanities include the Church Street Cultural Arts Centre, Three Notch Museum, Andalusia Ballet, and the Lower Alabama Arts Coalition Gallery, all located in or near the downtown area. The foundation will maintain a presence in Andalusia the entire month of August. The Andalusia exhibition will feature Dixie Art Colony artist Carlos Alpha “Shiney” Moon, who lived the majority of his life in Covington County.

At the foundation’s February 20, 2020, “Lunch & Learn” program, additional partnerships, research projects, and plans for 2021 exhibitions and programs under development will be discussed. At a later date, times and exact locations for all events will be posted at DixieArtColony.org.

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Thu., February 20, 2020: "A Look at Our Past and Future Plans" | Lunch & Learn

A look at the activities and developments of the Year 2019, and our Strategic Plan for the year 2020 and beyond | Wetumpka

Wed., February 26, 2020: "Alabama History Through the Eyes of an Artist" | UA OLLI Course Part I of III

A look at how DAC artists served as historians during the Great Depression & WWII | Birmingham

Wed., March 04, 2020: "Alabama History Through the Eyes of an Artist" | UA OLLI Course Part II of III

A look at how DAC artists served as historians during the Great Depression & WWII | Birmingham

Wed., March 11, 2020: "Alabama History Through the Eyes of an Artist" | UA OLLI Course Part III of III

A look at how DAC artists served as historians during the Great Depression & WWII | Birmingham

Sat., March 28, 2020: "Walk Where They Walked" at Jasmine Hill Gardens | Exhibition

Art exhibition and storyboards about the connection between Jasmine Hill Gardens and the DAC | Wetumpka

Sat., April 18, 2020: Alabama's New Deal Art Part V | Tour

Part V of our two-year series about Alabama's New Deal Art | Birmingham

Thu., May 21, 2020: "On The Road" in Tuscaloosa, Alabama | Lecture & Tour

Lunch and a presentation about the UA connections to the DAC, and tour of the University President's Mansion | Tuscaloosa

Wed., June 10, 2020: "Dixie Art Colony: A Look at its Lasting Legacy" | Lecture

Join us as we help Cain's Chapel UMC Celebrate their 200th Anniversary | Deatsville

Fri., & Sat., June 12 – 13, 2020: "Tallasse RIVERFEST" Exhibition

Join us for our fourth annual Dixie Art Colony exhibition and reception | Tallassee

Thu., July 16, 2020: "DAC Long-term Projects" | Lunch & Learn

An update and presentation about some of the DAC Foundation's long-term projects | Wetumpka

Thu., July 30, 2020: "Dixie Art Colony: A Look at its Lasting Legacy" | Lecture

Join us at the July meeting of the Covington County Historical Society | Andalusia

Tue., August 04, 2020: "A Retrospective of the Works of Carlos Alpha Moon" | Exhibition Opening Reception

Join us at the Lower Alabama Arts Coalition Gallery. Exhibition dates: 08|04|20 through 08|28|20 | Andalusia

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Sat., August 08, 2020: "A Retrospective of the Works of Carlos Alpha Moon" | Lecture & Open House

Lecture at the City Auditorium and Exhibition Open House at the Lower Alabama Arts Coalition Gallery | Andalusia

Sat., August 22, 2020: "On The Road" in Andalusia, Alabama | Lecture & Tour

Guided tour of Springdale Estate and the Andalusia Outdoor Murals by Wes Harden | Andalusia

Sat., August 29, 2020: "A Retrospective of the Works of Carlos Alpha Moon" | Exhibition Closing Day

Join us at the Lower Alabama Arts Council Gallery. Exhibition Closes | Andalusia

Thu., September 17, 2020: "All About Doris Alexander Thompson" | Lunch & Learn

Learn about one of the South's mid-20th century printmakers and her connection to the Dixie Art Colony | Wetumpka

Sat., September 26, 2020: "Art Detectives" | Presentation & Discussion | By invitation

An afternoon presentation and group discussion about identifying lost and unsigned artwork | Wetumpka

Sat., October 10, 2020: "On the Fringes" | Exhibition & Lecture

A Look at the Alabama Art League and other organizations closely linked to the DAC | Wetumpka

Wed., November 11, 2020: "A Salute to Veterans" | Exhibition & Reception

The exhibition will feature DAC artists that served in the U.S. Military. There will also be a concert and reception | Wetumpka

Thu., November 12, 2020: "A Salute to Veterans" | Lunch & Learn

The exhibition, slide and video presentation will feature DAC artists that served in the U.S. Military | Wetumpka

Thu., December 10, 2020: "Gallery Open House" | Exhibition & Reception

This event will serve as the opening for our 2021 Winter Exhibition

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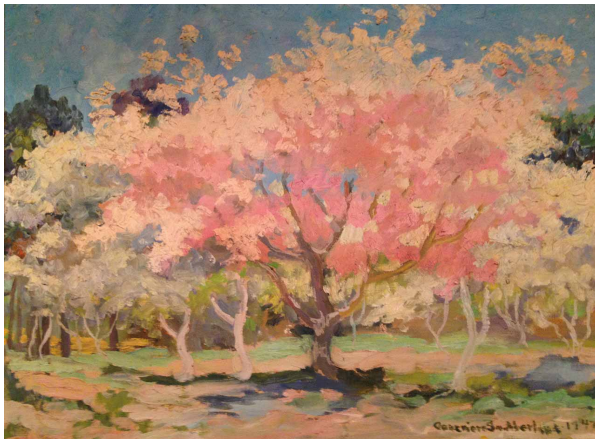
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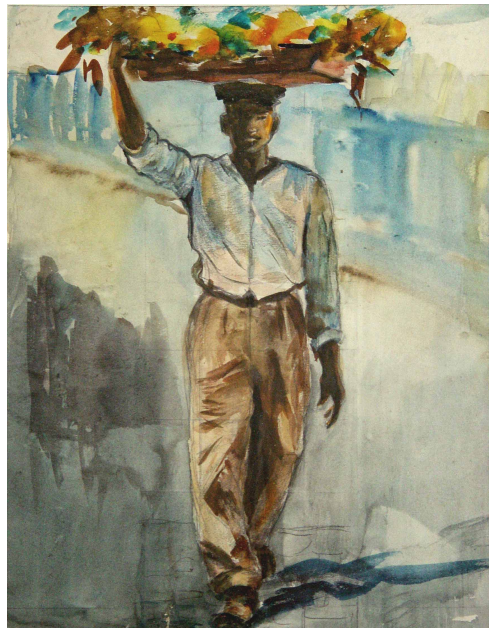
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