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THE CONTEMPORARY DAYTON (FORMERLY THE DAYTON VISUAL ARTS CENTER)

INVITES YOU TO CELEBRATE

THE 25th ANNUAL ART AUCTION & PARTY:

“The biggest and best all art, all LOCAL, wildly fun, eclectic, affordable, talent-packed, cool, and casual art party of them all!”



DAYTON (March 20, 2019) – The Contemporary Dayton (The Co, formerly The Dayton Visual Arts Center) presents the 25th Annual Art Auction & Party on Friday, April 26, 2019, at the David H. Ponitz Center at Sinclair Community College. Doors open at 6 p.m. The event begins at 6:30 p.m. with a Silent Auction from 6:30-9 p.m. The Live Auction takes place from 7-8 p.m. A Grand Prize Raffle for a Curated Columbus Art Adventure will be held at 8 p.m. Generous hors d'oeuvres, cash bar, and music by Puzzle of Light will complement the event. This year's goal is to raise \$125,000, a Board challenge in acknowledgement of the event's 25th anniversary. Event proceeds support exhibitions, public programs, and artist opportunities throughout the year.

Tickets are \$50 for The Co Members, \$65 for Non-Members, and \$75 if purchased April 25, 26 or at the door. Tickets can be purchased online at www.thecontemporarydayton.org by phone at 937/224.3822 or at the Gallery.

The Annual Art Auction & Party is The Co's signature fundraising event and the only auction in the region dedicated exclusively to visual art. One-hundred and twelve works of art including paintings, photographs, prints, jewelry and sculpture in ceramic, wood, glass, and bronze created by the talented array of artists from in and around the Miami Valley will be available to bid on and take home. The Auction offers something for everyone with prices starting at \$60.

"The Contemporary Dayton Art Auction & Party is one way in which we showcase, promote and celebrate the vast talent of our region's numerous artists," said Eva Buttacavoli, executive director of The Co. "This much-anticipated event draws over 700 friends, tastemakers, young professionals, community leaders, and philanthropic donors who truly believe art elevates our daily lives. Attendees find themselves immersed in the arts community, literally, as they are surrounded by impressive and inspired works from local artists."

Artists represented in the 2019 Art Auction include some of the region's most notable, including Dave Ackels, John Emery, MB Hopkins, Katherine Kadish, Tess Little, Mychaelyn Michalec, Ray Must, Andy Snow, and Terry Welker, plus many more.

OTHER EVENT ACTIVITIES

ART AUCTION PREVIEW EXHIBITION APRIL 5-24, 2019

Prior to the Art Auction & Party, The Co will host an exhibition of selections from the Silent Auction from April 5-24, 2019. The Opening Reception will be April 5, 2019 from 6-8 p.m. at the Co.

The highlight of the Opening Reception is the Live Auction Reveal, which showcases the pieces that will be in the live portion of the Art Auction. The Opening Reception is free and open to all and guests can enjoy a cash bar and complimentary appetizers. Also, Art Auction & Party tickets may be purchased at this event.

NEW! BID ON HANDS-ON ART EXPERIENCES AND CUSTOM MURAL COMMISSIONS

In addition to original artworks, guests have the opportunity to bid on *Hands-On Art Experiences* and Custom Mural Commissions by Co Member Artists. The Co will handle all arrangements and winning bidders will have up to 1 year to schedule.

HANDS-ON ART EXPERIENCES

Art-Making & Bourbon Sipping with Terry Welker & Ron Rollins

A private art-making and bourbon-sipping party for up to 10 at the Kettering studio of The Contemporary Dayton Member Artists Terry Welker & Ron Rollins. Spend a few hours at the studio making paintings with Ron and bending metal with Terry to create your own works of art. Enjoy snacks, tunes and adult beverages all the while. Make art and have fun – what could be better?

The Art of Clay with Naysan McIlhargey

A private, hands-on pottery experience with Persian-inspired refreshments for up to 12 by The Contemporary Dayton Member Artist Naysan McIlhargey at his home and studio, Miami Valley Pottery in Yellow Springs, OH. Twice a year Naysan fires up his outdoor walk-in oven with local wood and

places into it his elegant yet rustic designs inspired by ancient cultures. Up to 2,500 degrees later he pulls out vases, urns, dishes, and mortars and pestles. Get a behind the scenes tour of his studio, the Anagama Woodfired Kiln, and the wood fired pizza oven that he and his father built.

Hot Glass with Jim DeLange

A private, hands-on glass blowing experience for 6 by The Contemporary Dayton Member Artist, Jim DeLange of Glass Axis Studios, Franklinton Arts District, Columbus, OH. From gathering the molten glass from the furnace, to working it on the pontil pipe and glory hole, to its final cool down process in the annealing kiln, you will have a new appreciation for this centuries-old art form. Get up close and assist Jim in blowing the glass, while he narrates the science behind it and the artistic vision that guides his process.

The Art of Mosaic with Jes McMillan

Mosaic is the art of creating images with an assemblage of small pieces of colored glass, stone, tile or other materials. Learn about the wide range of mosaic techniques while enjoying a hands-on art experience with local artist Jes McMillan, owner of The McMillan Gallery and Founder of The Mosaic Institute of Greater Dayton. Enjoy a private, 2-hour session for up to 10 people with the master mosaic maker as she teaches the beautiful craft of Mosaic and assists you in creating your own small work of art to treasure. Refreshments will be served.

CUSTOM MURAL COMMISSIONS

Winning Bidders can bid on the opportunity to have a custom mural designed and painted for their home, office, or to be donated to a local charity by Member Artists Andrew Dailey, Morris Howard, or The Mural Machine. Murals cannot exceed 8 x 12 feet and must be located in the Miami Valley.

Giant All-Pencil Animals by Andrew Dailey

Andrew Dailey, who primarily works in graphite to create large-scale, meticulously drawn organic forms, plant life and/or animals, thinks of his work as explorations transformation, change and renewal. He most recently completed 2 animal-based murals for The Co's rear "Fountain Gallery." He received his MFA from Miami University, Oxford and BFA from Wright State University. He has won numerous awards for his work in exhibitions throughout the region and serves currently as the Cultural Arts Program Supervisor for the City of Kettering.

Soul Portrait by Morris Howard

A Dayton native, Howard moved back to the city from Georgia three years ago. Since returning to Dayton, Morris has been welcomed into the area's art community. He created *Red Girl & Redbird* across the street from The Neon Movies; a "Soul-Train" line at The Co; and most recently the popular *Dayton, Land of Funk* murals behind the Neon. After being honorably discharged from the Navy in 1994, Morris graduated from Art Institute of Atlanta with a Degree in Visual Communications. He teaches art for K12 Gallery and TEJAS at JCARE, one of the Montgomery County Juvenile Courts facilities where K12 coordinates art classes for court involved teens.

FantasyLands by The Mural Machine

The Mural Machine is the artistic duo of ETCH (Chris Weyrich) and Tiffany Allyn Clark. Working in the Dayton arts scene for a combined 30 years, they have created brightly colored flowers, treehouses, carnival scenes and "fantasy landscapes" for such groups as Stivers School for the Arts, East End

Community Center, the City of Dayton, Kroger Stores, and numerous businesses and non-profits across the region.

GRAND PRIZE RAFFLE: COLUMBUS ART GETAWAY FOR 2

Raffle Tickets are \$25 each, or 5 for \$100

Win an art-filled getaway in Columbus, Ohio. One grand prize raffle ticket will be selected for a trip for two that will provide art-lovers an exciting weekend to enjoy some of the best Columbus has to offer, including:

- ***2-night stay for two*** at the 50 Lincoln Short North Bed and Breakfast
- ***4 Tickets*** to the Columbus Museum of Art
- ***\$250 gift certificate*** for the Ohio Theatre
- ***\$200 gift certificate*** for dinner at Milestone 229
- ***\$200 gift certificate*** to the Studios on High Gallery

The Grand Raffle drawing will take place at 8 p.m. at the close of the Live Auction. Winners need not be present to win. Tickets can be purchased online at www.thecontemporarydayton.com, by calling 937/224.3822, at the gallery, or the night of the event.

BE THE BEACON – A SPECIAL 25TH ANNIVERSARY FUND TO SPONSOR NEW CORDLESS LIGHTS FOR ART EASELS

\$25 per light

All Be the Beacon Sponsors will be recognized at the event and in the event program. Be the Beacon Sponsorships can be purchased online at www.thecontemporarydayton.com, by calling 937/224.3822, at the gallery, or the night of the event.

HONORING ARTISTS WHO HAVE DONATED ARTWORK FOR 25 YEARS

During the Live Auction portion of the event, The Co will honor four very special artists who have donated artwork each and every year of the event's 25 years. Those artists are David Brand, Katherine Kadish, Richard Malogorski and Sandra Picciano-Brand. A complete list of all 112 participating artists can be found below and on the The Co's Auction webpage.

LIST OF PARTICIPATING ARTISTS (116)

David Ackels	Virginia Burroughs	Jon Daugherty
Pam Adams	Susan Byrnes	Lori Daugherty
Guustie Alvarado	Bruce Campbell	Amy Deal
Amy Kollar Anderson	Rosalie Campbell	Jim DeLange
Nicholaus Arnold	Connie Campbell	Amy Dolan
Stephanie Beiser	J.D. Claffey	Horace Dozier
Julie Beyer	Glen Clark	Mark Echtner
Bridgette Bogle	Virgil Clark	Tina Eisenhart
Michele BonDurant	Dan Cleary	Mike Elsass
David Brand	Bob Coates	John Emery
Susan Brockman	Dianne Collinson	Douglas Fiely
Matthew Burgy	Katherine Cruse	Tracy Foskuhl
Trevor Burke	Andrew Dailey	Bill Franz

Mark Freytag
Katie Gabbard
Janet Garlikov
Jennifer Glance
Mike Goheen
Amanda Grieve
Michael Gummer
Darren Haper
Linda Hart
Debbie Hicks
MB Hopkins
Morris Howard
Mikee Huber
Ron Hundt
Jozlynn Jacobs
Ashley Jude Jonas
Esther Kadash
Katherine Kadish
Cydnie King
Mary Baker Koch
Paula Willmot Kraus
Joyce Berry Lagedrost
Tess Little
Joyce Lucht
Patrick Mauk
Richard Malogorski

C. Pat McClelland
Jim McCullough
Margie McCullough
Jes McMillan
Carol McNeeley
Kevin McNeeley
Naysan McIlhargy
Mychaelyn Michalec
The Mural Machine
Ray Must
Lee Monnin
Nicholas Nawroth
Maureen O'Keefe
Klaus Otten
Jaime Pacheco
Marilynn Page
Christina Pereyma
Vaka Pereyma
Linda Phillips
Sandra Picciano-Brand
Marsha Monroe Pippenger
Judd Plattenburg
Ron Rollins
Jennifer Rosengarten
Eric Roy
Kate Huser Santucci

Francis Schanberger
George Schmall
Ashley Simons
Jeff Smith
Erin Smith-Glenn
Jay Snively
Andy Snow
Bruce Soifer
Andrea Starkey
Peggy Steinberg
Barb Stork
Doug Taylor
Rachel Tepe
Ravon Tillman
Frank Travers
Jamie Trusty
JoAnne Vincent
Jon Vincent
Sandra Wall
Barb Weinert-McBee
Terry Welker
Joel Whitaker
Mary Beth Whitley
Don Williams

THE 25TH ANNUAL ART AUCTION HOST COMMITTEE:

Chair: Dirk Kruetzer

Beth Adelman
Mark Brewer
Jessica A. Bott
Jennifer Brumby
Barbara & Dan Claudepierre

Beth DeVilbiss
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ABOUT THE CONTEMPORARY DAYTON

The Contemporary Dayton (formerly The Dayton Visual Arts Center) helps sustain the arts community by providing a place to show, market, and sell work and also helps satisfy the needs and wants of art-lovers who have a place to see artists' work and, often, meet the artists. At its core, The Contemporary advances art for the community and a community for artists.

The Contemporary receives operating support from the Ohio Arts Council, Culture Works, Montgomery County Arts & Cultural District, The Dayton Power & Light Foundation and the Virginia W. Kettering Foundation, and Members.

Also On View:

Counting Sheep and *Bloated Elevation* | two site-specific murals by Andrew Dailey

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Gallery Hours: 11-6 p.m. Tuesday–Thursday

11-4 Friday & Saturday

'til 8:00 p.m. First Friday

Closed Sunday & Monday