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Telfair Museum of Art presents
Summer 2009 Studio Art Classes

Museum offers hands-on art classes for community youth and adults

[Savannah, Georgia] — The Telfair Museum of Art announced today that it will hold its summer 2009 Studio Art Classes from July 6–August 22. Youth and adults can choose from a variety of offerings, ranging from watercolor and oil painting to drawing and sketching.

For adults, Watercolor Painting, held each Monday from July 6-August 10, will cover the art of sketching and composing watercolor paintings. Advanced Figure Painting in Oil I will take place every Saturday from July 18-August 22. This course will help students develop proper skin tones in oil, correct proportion and scale of the human body, and useful brushstroke and paint application.

Both classes meet from 10 am–1 pm, on their respective days, at the Telfair’s Jepson Center for the Arts. The registration fee is \$120/member and \$150/non-member. A supply list will be provided upon registration.

Adults may also enroll in a special half-day workshop, The Birth of Oil Painting, from 10 am to 3 pm on August 29 (includes 1-hour lunch-break). Taking place at the Telfair Academy in anticipation of the museum’s upcoming *Dutch Utopia* exhibition, this exciting workshop will provide students an understanding of the early techniques of oil painting through both demonstration and hands-on exercises. The workshop fee is \$45 per person with materials included or \$30 per person for those who prefer to bring their own supplies.

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For young people from ages 12-15, the museum will offer a Drawing Workshop from July 16-August 20 at the Jepson Center for the Arts. This intensive studio class, held on Thursdays from 10 am to 12 pm, will introduce students to the art of drawing, with an emphasis on observation and various rendering techniques—including still-life studies, clothed figure drawing, outdoor sketching, and blind contour drawing.

The registration fee for the Drawing Workshop is \$125/member and \$150/non-member. All materials are included.

Registration is now open for both youth and adult summer studio classes at the Telfair. For complete course descriptions, changes, or registration information, call 790-8823 or visit www.telfair.org. Space is limited, so sign up now!

About the Telfair

Located in the heart of Savannah’s historic district, the Telfair Museum of Art is the oldest public art museum in the South. It is comprised of two National Historic Landmark Buildings—the Telfair Academy and the Owens-Thomas House—and the contemporary Jepson Center for the Arts. With three unique buildings housing three distinct collections, the Telfair bridges three centuries of art and architecture.

Images available upon request.

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The Telfair Museum of Art is supported by its members, with partial support of the annual operating fund provided by the City of Savannah and by the Georgia Council for the Arts through the appropriations of the Georgia General Assembly.

The Telfair Academy is located on Telfair Square at 121 Barnard Street, Savannah, GA. The Jepson Center is also located on Telfair Square, just steps from the Academy building, at 207 W. York Street. The Telfair’s Owens-Thomas House is located at 124 Abercorn Street on Oglethorpe Square. General admission (which includes a one-time visit to each of the Telfair’s three sites) is \$15 for adults; \$12 for seniors, military personnel, and AAA members; \$5 for K-12 students; children under 5 are free. Members are always admitted free.

For hours at the Jepson Center for the Arts, Telfair Academy, and Owens-Thomas House, visit www.telfair.org. Museum sites are closed some holidays.

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