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On modern art....

“Art is like soup. There will be some vegetables you don’t like but as long as you get some soup down it doesn’t matter”

George Wyllie (1921 -) The Daily Mail 1996

WHAT'S ON at the PRETORIA ART MUSEUM

IN THE BEGINNING – On until June 2006

South Gallery

The origins of South African art can be traced back to the San hunters of the distant past, who adorned their shelters.

THE EARLY DAYS - On until June 2006

South Gallery

The exhibition covers art from the 1860s until the 1960s, giving a visual interpretation of South Africa by pioneer artists. Artists who were influenced by European art and who were trying to find an African identity.

THE HUMAN CONDITION – On until June 2006

North Gallery

Younger artists from the last decades of the 20th century were the product of an altered environment. New issues were kindled by the critical attention focused on South Africa, and artists used their art for social comment.

THE AFRICAN CONNECTION – On until June 2006

North Gallery

Traditional African arts and crafts have seen much innovation in informal production and consumption and demands a new understanding in the contemporary social and aesthetic contexts.

GEMS OF A GOLDEN AGE – On from July to December 2005



*Jan van Goyen
River Scene, 1634
oil on panel*

Henry Preiss Hall

A selection of 17th-century Dutch paintings from the Michaelis Bequest is on view. The donation by Lady Michaelis, in the 1930s, of mainly 17th-century Dutch and Flemish paintings initially formed the core of the permanent collection of the Art Museum.

THE GERMAN CONTRIBUTION – On from 8 November to December 2005

Albert Werth Hall

The art works of various German and Austrian artists who have made South Africa and Namibia their home form part of the collection at the Pretoria Art Museum. This exhibition celebrates their contributions to the South African art scene.

PRETORIA 1855 – TSHWANE 2005 – On from 28 September to December 2005

Albert Werth Hall

From the permanent collection the Pretoria Art Museum has put together an exhibition of scenes of Pretoria/Tshwane as portrayed by South Africa's artists through the years. The viewer can see how the place that many of us call home has changed from a small camping site to a bustling city.

INTERNATIONAL ART – On until February 2006



*Scott Dooley
Tea Pot
earthenware*

East Gallery

The permanent collection of the Pretoria Art Museum contains examples of international art movements that influenced the development of South African art.

COROBRIK COLLECTION – On from January to December 2005



*Makoto Hatori
Untitled
stoneware*

Glass Gallery

A selection of ceramics representing the development of studio ceramics and the work of the rural traditional potters of South Africa over the past thirty years is displayed.

STUDY COLLECTION – On until December 2006

Information Centre

Art media and techniques are illustrated at the Information Centre.

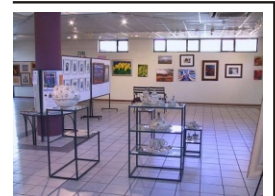
CENTURION ART GALLERY

Few people outside Centurion know about or have visited the Centurion Art Gallery which is situated next to the Lyttelton Library on the corner of Cantonments Road and Unie Avenue in Centurion.

This pleasant and airy gallery was built in the nineties and has been the commercial satellite of the Pretoria Art Museum since the City of Tshwane Metropolitan Municipality's amalgamation some four years ago. Many exhibitions ranging from photographs, crafts and paintings to ceramics and conceptual installations have since been presented here. The Centurion Art Gallery is cost-wise probably one of the most reasonable commercial galleries for Tshwane's upcoming artists to exhibit at R 400 per month plus 22% commission on sales.

See Pretoria Art Museum's website for more information and the Exhibition Proposal forms: www.pretoriaartmuseum.co.za

This gallery is also where the annual exhibition by the Pretoria Art Museum's Education Assistants is held. Students are given the opportunity to organise and curate their own mentored group exhibition as part of the museum's education and development programme.



A DARK ROOM PROVIDES ACCESS TO WORLD-FAMOUS MUSEUMS

Do set aside enough time when visiting the Art Museum in Arcadia Park. Besides the feast of South African art currently on display, a number of videos are available for visitors to watch in the dark room between the South and North galleries. Just ask one of the custodians for assistance.

In addition to the art series *Shock of the New* 1-8 and *Art for Today* 1-26, a number of videos on international artists are available, for example Pieter Brueghel (c 1525-1569), Sir Peter Paul Rubens (1577-1640), Jan and Hubert van Eyck (c early 15th century), El Greco (1541-1614), Henri Matisse (1869-1954), Paul Gauguin (1848-1903) and Pablo Picasso (1881-1973).

Videos on South African art and artists include San rock art, Gerard Sekoto, Irma Stern, Anton van Wouw, Georgie Papageorge, Jürgen Schadeberg, Jackson Hlungwani, Helen Maartens, Jan van der Merwe, William Kentridge and Steven Cohen.

Surely there is no better way for art lovers to spend their time than to visit to the Pretoria Art Museum and be inspired not only by South African artworks, but also by the artworks exhibited in the National Gallery in London, the Louvre in Paris, Hundertwasser Haus in Vienna, the Egyptian Museum in Cairo, the Musée d'Orsay in Paris or the stunning Guggenheim Museum in Bilbao. And all this for only R5,00 – the price of the admission ticket!

Educators are welcome to book a video screening covering any of the above for their learners to follow their guided tour. Guided tours may be booked with Mmutle Kgokong on 012 344 1807/8 or by completing the booking form on our website: www.pretoriaartmuseum.co.za



PRETORIA ART MUSEUM EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

The Pretoria Art Museum's Education and Development Programme has proved that it is not a once-off project. It has grown into a **sustainable** training programme generating the growing interest of socially-minded artists and young art lovers interested in community work. The programme is aimed at **skills development, community service, visual literacy** and **job creation**.

This programme comprises the training of education assistants or museum guides to undertake guided tours at the Art Museum and this has resulted in a number of educational spin-offs. The programme also includes mentoring the trainees to organise and curate their own group exhibition at the Centurion Art Gallery.

The training of education assistants or museum guides is led by Mmutle Kgokong, assisted by the curators. On 2 September the third group of trainees who received their Pretoria Art Museum accreditation certificates. A new group began their bridging course and orientation at the end of July. Most of the candidates are either art students or tourism students from the Tshwane University of Technology. However, formal qualifications are not a prerequisite.

The **objectives** of this programme are in line with the score card principles of the Educational Services' Culture Section, namely to promote cultural service through the facilitation of development programmes and coordinating events, thereby promoting cultural awareness. The city's priorities of building sustainable and integrated communities and enhancing our image as the capital city are also kept in mind. The key performance area of the programme besides that of Batho Pele, is to empower and develop communities to eradicate poverty through the establishment and implementation of programmes and projects.

CONTACT DETAILS

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