

Foothills Craft Guild News

Early Fall 2010 September 22

Opportunity: Office Staff at the Fall Show

We are recruiting Foothills members to work in the Fall Show offices, Friday - Sunday, November 12-14. Some of last year's staff will be returning, but we anticipate needing several more persons to work at least part of the weekend. These are paid positions, not volunteer work! The duties primarily involve selling tickets at the windows, and one person may also assist Jane Sharp (our bookkeeper) process the credit card sales. The hours are: Friday, 9:00am - 6:00pm; Saturday 9:30am-6:00pm and Sunday 10:30am - 5:00pm, Typically, we open at least one window 30 minutes prior to opening, and close two of the windows at 5:30pm. A person who works *full-time* during the show will work 25 hours. There will be ample opportunity for meals, rest breaks, and to browse the show (on-the-clock). Foothills will pay \$250 for a *full-time* person, which includes a \$25 bonus. Less-than-full time workers will be paid \$9.00/hour. (Changing shifts places extra demands on the office staff for training, check-in and check-out, and introduces opportunity for error in handling the money.)

Preference in selection will be given to those who can work the greatest number of hours. We anticipate being able to give you a firm commitment by Monday, November 8th. If you are interested in serving the guild in this capacity, please contact Dick McGee with the hours that you can commit to work during the weekend. You can call Dick at 931-205-0041, or send an email to rakupot@mindspring.com.

Message from Your Treasurer--Foothills Budget Amended

At its meeting on August 18th, the Foothills Board authorized the Treasurer to prepare and propose a budget that would create a line item for Historian expenses without increasing the required revenue or increasing the total expense projection for the year. This was done, and presented to the Board on September 1, 2010. An allocation of \$500 was made to the Historian's Office, which will also include managing the Permanent Collection Gallery. Funds were shifted from other categories, primarily from the Office Rent line. The Arts and Cultural Alliance Board notified us that the previously announced increase in rent would be rescinded this year for all tenants of the Emporium Bldg who stayed in place during the reconstruction of Gay Street. So, the Budget approved at the June 2, membership meeting remains the same in total revenue and expense lines, but contains a new line to enable Molly to continue collecting and preserving our heritage.

Fall Show--Notice to all Fine Craft Fair exhibitors in the Knoxville area

Please come by the Foothills office in the Emporium Building on First Friday, October 1, between 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm to pick up your Fine Craft Fair brochures for mailing to your customers.

Molly and Karen will be there to greet the public, and to get the brochures for you. This small effort on your part saves the Guild a lot of \$\$ as we don't get discount postal rates when mailing brochures. First Fridays are always fun, so we hope to see you there! -- Karen, your Show Director

Foothills Artists in the News

Sissy Caldwell and her beaded jewelry were featured in the September 2010 edition of the quarterly Newsletter published by and for TVA Retirees. She is pictured prominently with her work, and she proudly proclaims her juried membership in Foothills Craft Guild and the Art Market Gallery.

Bob and Dolores Wells received a \$200 Merit Award for Metal Sculpture from the 20th Annual Art In Speed Park in Sellersburg, IN, (just outside of Louisville ,KY).

The Southern Highlands' Folk Art Center (Asheville, NC) is featuring the sculptures of Cindy Billingsley in a two-person show through October 5.

Sharron Eckert, who works with long leaf pine needles sewn with raffia, was one of the artisans selected to exhibit in the Best of Tennessee Craft biennial show, sponsored by the Tennessee Association of Craft Artists. The show runs from September 27 - October 15, 2010, at the Todd Hall Art Gallery on the campus of Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro.

More Opportunities

Ramsey House Plantation is seeking artist vendors for its 46th annual Country Market scheduled **October 2nd and 3rd**. Country Market is a traditional country fair featuring antiques, arts, crafts, historic demonstrations, food, music, and more. Please contact Sandra Gammon at (865) 546-0745. Ramsey House is located at 2614 Thorn Grove Pike, Knoxville, TN 37914. Visit www.ramseyhouse.org.

Farragut Christian Church is sponsoring an Old Fashioned Bazaar to benefit Prom of the Stars, on Saturday, **October 16**, with an application deadline of **October 8**. For information and application, contact Shannon Warden, shannonwarden@tds.net, or call 966-5224.