Le Mayne Arts

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Letters-

A quarterly newsletter highlighting exhibits and events - Fall 2023

A Diamond Jubilee

November 18 - December 24, 2023

Tuesday - Thursday, 11am - 6pm Friday - Saturday, 11am - 7pm Sunday, 1pm - 5pm Monday, Closed

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Members Mimosa Preview

Saturday, November 18 9:00am - 10:00am

LeMoyne Arts members will get a first look at the show, greeted with mimosas and first pick of the assortment of giftable items, made by dozens of local artists and artisans.

Opening Day & Garden Galleria

Holiday Show Grand Opening & *Garden Galleria* Saturday, November 18 10:00am - 6:00pm NEW to this year's annual holiday show is a pop-up Garden Galleria in LeMoyne's renovated gardens, featuring local artist booths, live entertainment, children's activities.





Hoppy Holidays Tasting

Saturday, December 2 11:00am - 1:00pm Dress in your favorite denim & diamonds while tasting a variety of local craft beers and mixed cocktails by PROOF Brewing! Food by Chicken Salad Chick, and live music by Saylor Dollar Duo!

Dazzling Diamond Cocktail Party

Thursday, December 7 5:30pm - 7:00pm Shop and dance the night away in your shimmering outfits to live music while enjoying signature cocktails and delicious hors d'oeuvres by II Lusso, as well as oysters on the halfsell by the Oyster Mom.

Festive Family Fun Day

Saturday, December 16 11:00am - 2:00pm

Bring the whole family to take care of all your holiday shopping while enjoying sweet & savory snacks, drinks, face painting, make-andtake crafts by the Retired Art Teachers of Tallahassee, live music...and more!



Cookies & Cocoa

libations, and local food trucks.

Friday, November 24 11:00am - 1:00pm Scrumptious cookies by Uptown Café, hot cocca bar (with a splash of spirits), delicious nuts for purchase by the Tallahassee Nutty Bavarian, and live entertainment by the Elsinore Sewing Club.

For more information about our Holiday Show Events and admission prices, please visit lemoyne.org/holidayshow.



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Letter from our President

Dear Friends of LeMoyne -

Fall has arrived and these glorious days make the long sweltering summer worth the price of admission (almost). It's lovely outside and the LeMoyne gardens are more beautiful than ever!

On Thursday, October 19th, nearly 200 friends and supporters gathered in the gardens for the 2023 Art & Soul Celebration. As sweet jazz from Scotty Barnhart and Friends swirled in the air, guests enjoyed tasty food and libations, and reveled in the magic of the evening. The silent and live auctions filled with fine art, experiences, and all things good for the soul brought heated bidding spurred on by the always delightful Malcolm Mason of Omnia Auctions.



This year, we celebrated Susan Baldino with the Richard L. Puckett Leadership in Arts Award, Julie and Mike McBride as Volunteer of the Year, and Ariel Raskin as Student Volunteer of the Year. Congratulations to our 2023 award winners! For more information about these incredible honorees and their contributions to our community see page 5.

Fall brings the promise of cool days and festive evenings as the holidays approach. LeMoyne has a full calendar of enchanting events starting with our first ever Garden Galleria on our opening day, Saturday, November 18. As beautiful as our gardens are, wait until you see them dressed up for the holidays. It's going to be spectacular!

It's hard to believe the year is drawing to an end. Join us as we wrap up our 60th year with a Diamond Jubilee celebration in the company of dear friends!

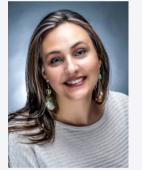
Stephanie Whitfield, Board President

Letter from our Executive Director

Dear Friends,

LeMoyne's 60th year will be remembered for fabulous exhibits, lively events, record attendance, and big smiles! It's flying by, but don't worry, we've got more in store for you! This November and December, prepare to be dazzled by the Holiday Show event series showcasing our newly renovated garden. We are kicking it all off with a mini art festival on Saturday, November 18th. Be sure to come make unforgettable memories with your friends and family! See you there!

Arielle Raff, Executive Director



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A sunny day in LeMoyne Art's back garden.



The Ceramic Studios allows for plenty of space for creativity as seen here in Laurel Blackthorne's Mixed Level Hand Building class.

Art for Always: Master Plan Project Update

By Kelly S. Dozier

Fall is in the air and the gardens are filled with hummingbirds, butterflies and bees as the Lantana, Cardinal Guard and Thryallis are in full bloom. Thanks to a team of volunteers including Dan Taylor, Laurie and Kelly Dozier and Glenn Robertson, the garden is thriving as new plants are being planted and watered daily. Plants are added each week donated from friends of LeMoyne and more will arrive as the temperature cools including new trees, thanks to a generous donation from Persica Landscape Nursery and Esposito Garden Center.

The final phase of the AfA Master Plan, The Studios of LeMoyne, formerly the education center on East Call, is coming along nicely. New windows were recently installed, which are easy to operate and have screens. Two new ceramics studios are up and running and plans for phase I and II of the interior renovations have been submitted to the City of Tallahassee for permitting.

This final phase will include a newly paved parking lot to the West of the building, major renovations to the front courtyard and improved accessibility into the building. Additionally, a new warming kitchen, accessible restrooms and a bridal/green room lounge will be included to support events in the garden. New artist studios will soon be available for lease throughout the building creating a community of local artists in downtown Tallahassee. This phase of the project is made possible through a generous gift from Janet Hinkle and grants from the Tallahassee Community Redevelopment Agency and the Tourist Development Council.

LeMoyne is very grateful for this opportunity to improve its facilities to better serve our community for decades to come.



Volunteer Creates Custom Wedging Table for LeMoyne Arts' Ceramics Studio

In the world of ceramics, where artistry and craftsmanship combine to create stunning pottery and sculptures, a dedicated volunteer has brought immense joy to our program. We are thrilled to extend our deepest gratitude to Bob Callan, who generously crafted a brand-new wedging table for our ceramics studios.

Wedging is the backbone of the ceramics process, where clay is kneaded and prepared for the hands of talented artists. This new wedging table extends the length of the north facing wall in the wheel studio. Its size allows for several students to wedge at once, meaning a more efficient workflow and more time for hands on instruction. Thanks to Bob's skill and dedication, our program now has a beautiful, sturdy wedging table and tool storage that will serve our budding and experienced potters for years to come.



Staff Highlight: Gabrielle Quintero

Introducing our new Venue Coordinator and Exhibit Associate, Gabrielle Quintero! We're thrilled to welcome her to our team. Gabrielle is a Tallahassee local who grew up going to LeMoyne for art classes and summer camps. She has always had a passion for the humanities and the expression of culture and the human spirit and is so excited to be part of such a foundational organization in her hometown such as LeMoyne. Before joining the team, Gabrielle spent a year living in Valencia, Spain teaching English at a local primary school, deepening her love of travel, culture, and art.

With her exceptional organizational skills and a keen eye for detail, we are confident that Gabrielle will play a pivotal role in making our events memorable. From weddings to corporate gatherings, Gabrielle will work closely with you to transform your visions into reality. We're excited to have her on board and look forward to her expertise elevating your event experiences. Welcome, Gabrielle!







Art & Soul Celebration Enchants All

On a beautiful October evening LeMoyne Arts hosted the 2023 Art & Soul Celebration, an annual event honoring the dedicated volunteers and members who are committed to our work, creating community through art. The newly renovated gardens served as the perfect backdrop, with lush greenery and vibrant flowers beautifully offsetting the black and white attire of the guests and Pas de Vie dancers. Guests were treated to live music by Grammy Award winner Scotty Barnhart & Friends, delicious catering by Black Fig, signature drinks by Last Call Bartending, and craft beer by PROOF Brewing Company. The event's success was a culmination of the tireless efforts of the Art & Soul Celebration team and staff, who worked diligently to create an unforgettable experience. The highlight of the evening was undoubtedly the live auction. Led by Malcolm Mason of Omnia Auctions, paddles soared into the air as guests bid on their favorite items. When the final item of the night, the gem-infused Art & Soul Cover piece "My Lil' Bauble" by Quia Z Atkinson, was presented, a nail-biting volley ensued between two bidders. All proceeds from the auction support LeMoyne Arts' mission of furthering education, interest, and participation in the contemporary arts.

1) A Pas de Vie ballerina dances to Grammy Award winner Scotty Barnhart & Friends' music. 2) LeMoyne Arts' newly renovated gardens served as the perfect event location.

3) Susan Baldino, recipient of the Richard L. Puckett Arts Leadership Award, poses with her award created by local sculptor Anthony Quickle.

4) Omnia Auction's Malcolm Mason works the crowd while auctioneering the live auction. 5) Cover artist and LeMoyne Arts' Board Member, Quia Atkinson, embraces Teresa Atkins after a nail-biting rally for this year's cover art "My Lil' Bauble." Photos by Bob O'Lary and Katie Clark.

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2023 Award Winners

Each year, LeMoyne Arts gives out 3 distinct awards during the Celebration, Mike McBride have supported the arts in Volunteer of the Year, and Student Volunteer of the Year, and the Richard L. Puckett Arts Leadership Award, named after founding Executive Director, Dick Puckett, recognizes those who have demonstrated an ongoing commitment to the visual arts in the Tallahassee/Leon County area through innovative, community, or sustained support of the arts.

the 2023 recipient of the Richard L. Puckett Leadership in Arts Award! Susan has served on the Florida Council on Arts and Culture and was a longstanding board member and chair of the Florida Association of Museums Foundation. Her work on inclusive learning in museums for students on the autism spectrum is a shining example of bringing art to all people. Susan volunteers with LeMoyne Arts assisting with exhibitions.

For more than four decades, Julie and our community. When there is something happening at LeMoyne you can find them there. From organizing volunteers at the Chain of Parks Art Festival to greeting guests at exhibit openings. Through all their commitments and hard work, they are never without a smile and their signature humor. With tremendous gratitude for their dedication, LeMoyne Arts is delighted to honor Julie and Mike This year we celebrate Susan Baldino, McBride as our 2023 Volunteers of the Year.

> LeMoyne Arts is delighted to honor Ariel Raskin as 2023 Student Volunteer of the Year. Ariel is a second year Arts Administration Graduate Student at Florida State University. She began as a volunteer in the gallery shop in 2022 and chose to complete her 3-semester academic internship at LeMoyne, where she is currently learning how to write and manage grants.

6) Bonnie Bernau, Julius & Debby Rios, and Julie & Mike McBride, cheers to a wonderful night.

7) Board Member Dan Taylor and Pam Doffek enjoy hors d'oeuvres from Black Fig.

8) Leslie Anderson, Denise Ortiz, and Margarita Mejia pose for a picture while enjoying this year's signature cocktail, a Pomegranate Prosecco Fizz, by Last Call Bartending. Photos by Bob O'Lary and Katie Clark.



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Quia Atkinson Darcy Bolden Vivienne Dumas Lauren Hansel Lauren Hess Carli Komroff Cole Lin Susanna Mendenhall Erin Orlando Emily Pakula Julian Senderey Mary Jo Spector **Emery Womack**

LeMoyne Art Camp 3 Time Award Winner!

recipient of the Tallahassee Democrat Community's Choice Award for best Summer Camp for the third year in a row! Thank you to the wonderful campers, families, camp staff, and all those who voted for us. Your support means the world to us. We're committed to continuing to inspire creativity in our community's young artists and nurturing their talents for years to come.

Our art camps foster our camper's creativity through diverse art experiences featuring everything from acrylic painting and pastel drawing to clay sculpture and sets of dates in between the winter multimedia collage! Through these projects campers learn new techniques and practice implementing the elements and principles of art while making masterpieces! By encouraging experimentation and exploration, we empower our

LeMoyne Arts is proud to be the campers to arow as artists and unlock their unique creative potential.

Art Camp's excellence goes beyond just summer camps. LeMoyne offers exceptional art camps year round including Thanksgiving, winter, and spring break. Parents can rest assured knowing their young artists have a dependable and enjoyable activity while Leon County Schools are on break. Thanksaiving Break Camp is right around the corner happening Monday, November 20 through Wednesday, November 22.

Winter Break Camp consists of three holidays, Wednesday, December 20 through Friday, December 22; Tuesday, December 26 through Friday, December 29; Tuesday, January 2 through Friday, January 5. For more information about our camps, visit lemoyne.org/artcamp.





Create memories while being creative! Registration for our upcoming session opens December 4th!



- 1) Students in Joe Roache's Monday night Acrylic Painting class prep their canvases to begin a new project.
- 2) Florida Hall of Fame Artist, Sandy Proctor, demonstrates to his students how to perfect the proportions of any face, dogs included.
- 3) Instructor Joe Roache demonstrates different techniques in his Soft Pastel Painting Class.
- 4) Students in Sandy Proctor's Figurative Bust class work diligently on their sculptures.
- 5) Adriana Soto gets up close and personal with her piece to focus on the details in Joe Roache's Soft Pastel Painting class. 6) Alina Bachmann from Laurel Blackthorne's Introduction to Wheel class perfects the details of her turtle sculpture.

THANK YOU TO OUR NEW & RENEWED MEMBERS! JULY 1ST, 2023 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30TH, 2023

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LeMoyne Remembers



Betty Ann Skelton

LeMoyne remembers Betty Ann Skelton, a long-time member of LeMoyne Arts who was also born and raised in the historic Meginnis-Munroe House, which is now the gallery at LeMoyne Arts. Daughter of Ivan and Mildred Munroe, Betty Ann was a direct descendant of the family that built the home in 1854. Betty Ann will be remembered for her community involvement and dearly missed by the many friends and family that she leaves behind.



James "Jim" Dawson Beasley

The LeMoyne Arts community is saddened by the recent loss of friend, Board Member and Past-President (2002-2003). During Jim's presidency, LeMoyne hosted many successful art exhibits including a solo show of Jim's friend Kent McCain. Memorial gifts may be sent to, LeMoyne Arts, 125 N. Gadsden St., Tallahassee, FL 32301.

Thank You for Your Kindness

Kelly & Laurie Dozier, for planting new landscaping and tending to the garden Glenn Robertson, for tending to and clearing invasives in the garden Dan Taylor, for tending to the garden Bob Callan, for building custom furniture for our art studios Scott McLuckie, for repairing pottery wheels Leslie Anderson, for aiding in ceramics organization Susan Frisbee, for donating art education supplies Rachel Borntreger, for donating art education supplies Richard Wieckowicz, for donating art education supplies

Thank You to Our Interns & Volunteers

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The best way to support LeMoyne... is to become a LeMoyne Arts Member!

If you're already a member, consider buying one of your friends or family members a LeMoyne Arts Membership.

General Membership Benefits Include:

- Subscription to LeMoyne Arts Newsletter
- Member discount on classes & camps
- Free admission to Annual Holiday Show
- Invitation to annual Membership Social
- Discount on facility rental
- Pop-up member exclusive offers
- Your way to support the arts in Tallahassee!

Student: \$25 Senior (65+): \$35 Individual: \$40 Family & Friends: \$70

Upper Level Memberships Include:

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- Membership to NARM (North American Reciprocal Museums)
- 10% Discount on all Gallery Shop and exhibit purchases

Supporter: \$150

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Receives 2 tickets to Art & Soul Celebration

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Receives 2 tickets to Art & Soul Celebration, Annual LeMoyne Holiday Ornament, 2 hours of free gallery rental

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Receives 2 tickets to Art & Soul Celebration, Annual LeMoyne Holiday Ornament, 4 hours of free gallery rental

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