

Friday Footprints

"Every man must leave a track and it might as well be a good one."

-Thomas Gilcrease

May 28, 2021

Gillies' Generosity:

Within this past year of never-ending uncertainty, there were attributes of our membership that did not waver and that I never doubted. Those attributes were the Gillies' love for and commitment to the museum, and their unending generosity. That love, commitment, and generosity has never been more evident than in the donation drive to acquire one of Shan Goshorn's baskets as a gift to the museum.

Our donation cut-off date is July 1st. We know that while many members have not yet contributed, they have probably considered doing so in June, so we now have a wonderful and unexpected situation. We have not only achieved our monetary goal for the basket "*Gold 'N Values*," but exceeded it.

The Executive Committee met this week to discuss a plan to proceed with this donation drive. *We want all Gillies to be able to contribute*, if you have not already. With the money we received so far, we have half of the funds needed to purchase a second Goshorn basket, "*Illumination*." Gilcrease Museum would then own three baskets by this cherished nationally known local artist.

If you have not yet contributed to this fund drive, please consider donating toward this second basket – remember, there were no dues collected this year and your donation is tax deductible.

The presentation of the baskets to the museum will be part of our closing ceremonies at the July 6th farewell party. Please help us meet our goal of gifting both of these baskets.

President's Last Word:

"It takes a village" took on a whole new meaning for me this year. I want to take this last opportunity to thank all of the members of the Gillies "village" who guided and supported me, whether that was in an official position or just as a Gillie friend. I literally could not have gotten through a day without the insight, knowledge, or historical perspective you have generously offered. The time for guiding me is at an end and I am confident that you will extend your know-how and experience to helping Carol Stookey, your new Gillies President. She is scholarly, methodical, and productive, and has more than enough ideas to keep us busy and connected. She will amaze us all.

Thank you for letting me serve as your president. It has been a privilege.
Alana Trisler

Happenings at Gilcrease:

Reminder: Inaugural Eddie Faye Gates Lecture: Tuesday, June 1 at 6pm: Join us via Zoom on Tuesday, June 1 to hear IMLS Research Scholar Autumn Brown explore some of the main themes manifested within the Eddie Faye Gates Collection. Discover more from this collection about compassion, family, community, resilience, and what they mean for our communities today. *Click on the title to register.*

Reminder: Stickball Game Demonstration: Saturday, June 12 at 1-4pm: Join us to learn about the game of stickball that is played by many Indigenous people. Learn about how the game is played and participate in a hands-on activity. The game will be played on the field behind the Helmerich Center for American Research. This program will be outside; please bring a lawn chair or blanket. Food will be available for purchase from food trucks. Preregistration is required for this free event. Space is limited so register today! *Click on the title to register.*

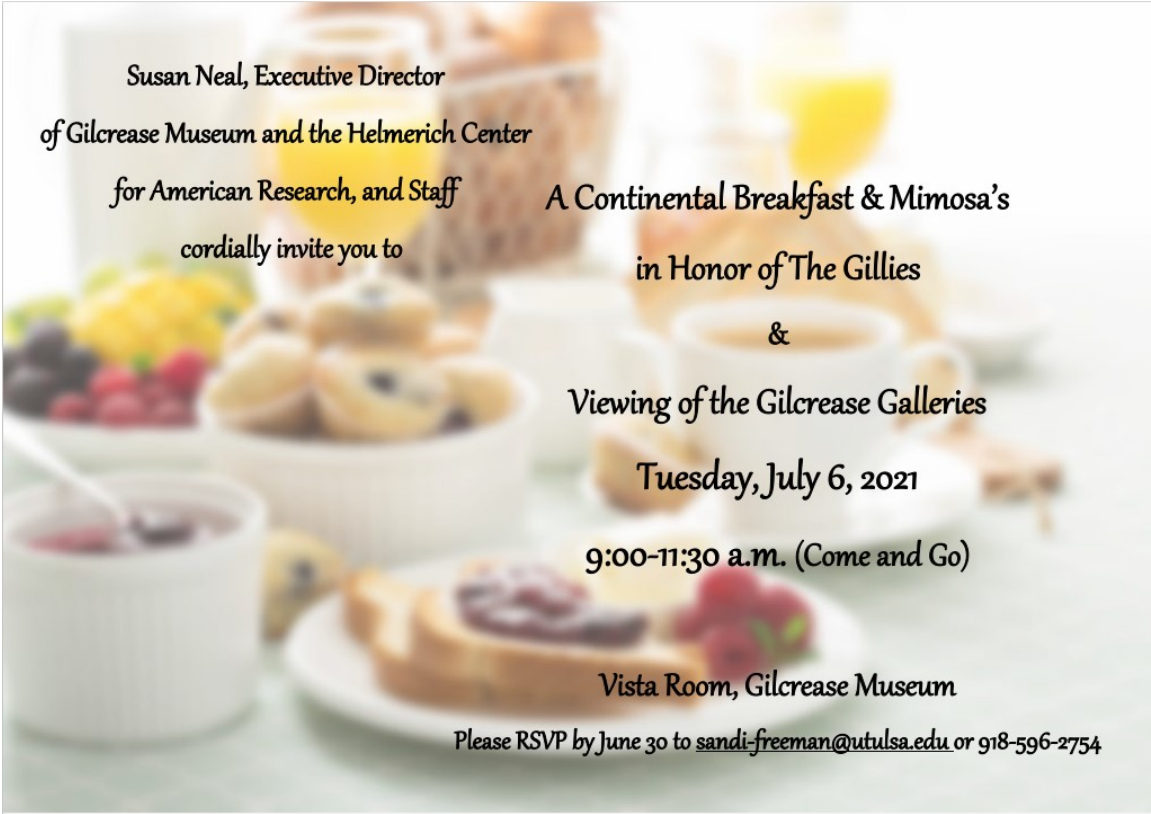
Reminder: Enslavement to Emancipation: A Panel Conversation Toward a More Perfect Union: Wednesday, June 16 at 7pm: Join Gilcrease Museum and a panel of experts, for a virtual discussion to open the *Enslavement to Emancipation: Toward a More Perfect Union* exhibition. Panelists will discuss the three foundational documents in this exhibition: a letter from Diego Columbus to King Charles V of Spain (1520), the Declaration of Independence (1776), and the Emancipation Proclamation (1864). This conversation will speak to the history of African slavery in the Americas, the legacies of freedom and unfreedom, and the ongoing pursuit of a "More Perfect Union." *Click on the title to register.*

Please Continue to Log Your Volgistics Hours!

Our service hours are reported monthly to the Gilcrease Museum Board of Trustees. It is important that they have an accurate record of our volunteerism and know that we continue to serve and learn.



It's here! All you need to know about our July 6th farewell party.



Susan Neal, Executive Director
of Gilcrease Museum and the Helmerich Center
for American Research, and Staff
cordially invite you to

A Continental Breakfast & Mimosa's
in Honor of The Gillies
&

Viewing of the Gilcrease Galleries

Tuesday, July 6, 2021

9:00-11:30 a.m. (Come and Go)

Vista Room, Gilcrease Museum

Please RSVP by June 30 to sandi-freeman@utulsa.edu or 918-596-2754

Honoring the Centennial of the 1921 Tulsa Race Massacre



Distance Learning Opportunities:

The World of Paul Calle

From the Scottsdale's Museum of the West, the Paul Calle Exhibition – a life of Exploration: from the mountains to the moon. [26:05]

Charles Willson Peale: Renaissance Man

Julia Burns, Administrative Assistant at the Monroe County Historical Association (PA), presents as part of the Association' Third Thursday Lecture Series, October 15, 2020. Charles Willson Peale (1741-1827), artist, scientist, and patriot, had a wonderful curiosity for our world, a passion for education and culture, and a determination to share all of these with the American public. As he wrote to his friend Thomas Jefferson, "The attainment of happiness, individual as well as public, depends on the cultivation of the human mind." Peale's many endeavors, including opening our nation's first significant museums, played a pivotal role in shaping America. [1:22:00]



“Celebrate ends – for they precede new beginnings.”

- Unknown

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