



October Brilliance

Ila McAfee , early 20th century

SMOKE SIGNALS

OCTOBER, 2018

President's Post ~ Kathy Horne

****a different lens** **a fresh perspective** **a re-examination** **a new focus****

These are some of the words and phrases I am hearing every day in the galleries, hallways, and meeting rooms at the museum. And I have to say, it has me energized and excited! We often remark on the vast and limitless stories to be shared from Thomas Gilcrease's collections. However, some of these stories we tell over and over.

But, with the *Americans All!* exhibition that opened on September 21, and the upcoming *Albert Bierstadt: Witness to a Changing West* exhibition arriving in early November, we are gifted with opportunities to learn and then share stories, themes and ideas that are novel and new. As Curator of History Mark Dolph wrote in the most recent *Gilcrease Magazine*, "...we look forward to presenting our exceptional collections in fresh and relevant ways that resonate with our many diverse audiences."

How wonderful it is to be one of those audiences, continually learning new things and seeing familiar artists in new ways! Isn't that one of the reasons many of us signed up to be Gillies? So... I hope you are enjoying looking through the new lens, re-examining, having a fresh perspective and a new focus. I know I am!

Indian Village

Jules Tavernier, 1844-1889

French-American

Now on view in

Americans All!



Who is this
Colorful
Character??



Come to the
Gillies Annual
Membership Party
to find out!!

You and Your Guest
Are Invited to Attend

The Gillies
Annual Membership Party

Honoring our New Interns

Sunday, November 11, 2018

5:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Gilcrease Museum

Reservations by November 2nd to:

Kathe Crapster: 918-924-9182 *or*

kathecrapster@gmail.com *or*

Place RSVP form in the box

in the Sign-In Room

September 21 Coffee, Meeting and Luncheon

Gillies gathered for coffee in the Vista Room prior to the Fall General Membership meeting and enjoyed the Hospitality Committee's refreshments. A delicious luncheon was provided by Chef Lenny Borkowicz of the Gilcrease Museum Restaurant.



Rick and Mindy Paschal,
Margie Theriot, Deanna
Storm, Judy Reiners



Barbara Kelley and Nancy
Laughrey



Martha Hughes, Alana
Trisler, Janice Henshaw



Larry Hicks, David Steele,
Ron Young



Amanda Lawrence, Willis
Allen, Judy Baggett



Phyllis Logsdon and
Marietta Siebert
Photos provided by Dana Simon

Gilcrease Forum: *Immigrant Artists—Then and Now*



Forum Chair Oliver Sundby introduces
Curator of History Mark Dolph who
discussed the new exhibition
Americans All!



Mark & Lisa Dolph are shown at the
entrance to the *Americans All!* exhibit
with contemporary artists whose
works are included in the exhibit. At
left are Jose Antonio Pantoja
Hernandez and wife Dailenis with
their daughter Angelina. At right are
Mazen Abufadil and wife Masako.



The Forum concluded with a
Question & Answer session led
by Mark Dolph which featured
Mazen and Pantoja.

Photos provided by Kenny Ruggiano

Gilcrease Museum

2018-2020 Upcoming Exhibitions

<i>Americans All!</i>	(Gallery 7 North)
Gilcrease Permanent Collections	
9/21/18 – ongoing	
<i>Albert Bierstadt: Witness to a Changing West</i>	(Gallery 7)
Organized by the Buffalo Bill Center of the West in conjunction with Gilcrease Museum	
11/3/18 – 2/10/19	
<i>Dylan</i> <i>(Working title)</i>	(Getty Gallery)
12/??/18 – ??/??/?? To be determined	
<i>The Chisholm Kid: Lone Fighter for All</i>	(Smith Gallery 4)
Organized by the Museum of Uncut Funk	
12/15/18 – 3/17/2019	
<i>Tulsa Artist Fellows Respond to Gilcrease</i> <i>(Working title)</i>	(Smith Gallery 4 and Helmerich Hall)
Spring 2019—Spring 2020	
<i>Pulitzer Prize Photographs</i>	(Gallery 7 South)
Organized by the Newseum	
3/29/19—7/14/19	
<i>Latin American Art in Gilcrease</i> <i>(Working title)</i>	(Gallery 7 East)
Organized by the Buffalo Bill Center of the West in conjunction with Gilcrease Museum	
11/3/18 – 2/10/19	
<i>Dorothea Lange's America</i>	(Gallery 7 South)
Organized by art2art Circulating Exhibitions	
9/13/19 – 1/5/20	
<i>Memories & Inspiration: The Kerry and C. Betty Davis Collection of African American Art</i>	(Gallery 7 South)
Organized by International Arts and Artists	
1/24/20 – 5/17/20	

Introducing the Intern Class of 2019



Photo Credit:

Kenny Ruggiano

Left Column

Steve Edgar

Reita Adams

Kelsey Ritz

Ken Schiller

Cathy Stiles

Middle Column

Robin Leech, Ralph Krause

Kay Todd, Bob McCullough

Margaret George, Karen Morris

Elizabeth Molina

Tom Duncan, Kika Howard, Dale McNamara

Right Column

Joan Pagano

Jim Elder

Janet Hayes

Paula Gough

Alyson Balyeat

Development News

~ By Alana Trisler, Development Office Chair

On any given first Thursday of the month, if you were to venture down to the Gilcrease Museum Board Room on level two, you would find the Development Committee Gillies hard at work. Doing what you ask? - folding, stuffing, and sealing the monthly mailings that remind us all to keep our memberships up to date. But wait, there's more! We also count and replenish or replace the SmART Cards that are placed throughout the museum. A third facet of our service is supporting special projects that surface from time to time. For example, an earlier special project took 60+ hours of volunteer time to assemble 400 sets of 40 SmART cards to be distributed to schools. Whew! So, while most of our work is out of sight and out of mind, we're a busy lot and always ready for the next challenge.



Another recent special project involved Margaret Foster and Silvia Furgason. As seen in these photos, Margaret and Silvia helped direct traffic and provided activity sheets to AEP/PSO employees who visited the Museum on Saturday, September 22.

Photos by Alana Trisler



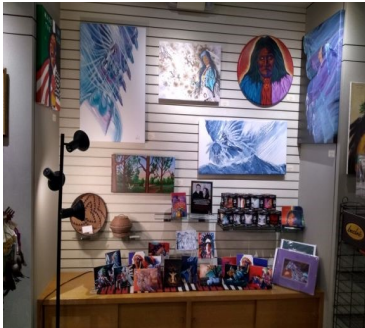
STORE CHATTER

~ Carolyn Ekenstam, Museum Store Chair

Congratulations to Melanie Rosencutter on being named Museum Store and Visitor Services Director!

It's time to be thinking of cooler weather. So check out the long-sleeved t-shirts and ¾ sleeve shirts, some of which look like they have a necklace on them. Those are really special looking. There are also some wrap-around scarves to keep the neck and shoulders warm.

There is a nice selection of work from local artists, like J. Berryhill, Nona Vance and Tracy Rabbit. Check out their tiles, paintings and ceramic work.



We have need of more volunteers. Just give Carolyn a call at 918-557-0468 or email her at cekenstam@sbcglobal.net.

Photos by Carolyn Ekenstam



Check It Out!

~ Carol Stookey
Gillies Library Chair

We have all walked through the Enduring Spirit galleries and enjoyed the vibrant energy of the the Dick West paintings that grace the wall going down the ramp. These paintings were commissioned to illustrate two children's books of Indian legends written by Johanna Lyback and published in the early 1960's. Often images of several legends have been incorporated into the illustration. Now we can read the legends that inspire and inform these paintings. The books credit the artist, Walter Richard West, as being "one of the leading Indian artists of our time. His award winning works have been exhibited in the Smithsonian Institution.....Mr. West was educated at the Concho Indian School, Haskell Institute, Bacone College, University of the Redlands and University of Oklahoma. The Gillies Library now has a copy of *Indian Legends of Eastern America* and *Indian Legends of the Great West*. Thank you Gillie Belinda Eubanks for your thoughtful donation.

They are ready for you to "Check It Out!"



The Cheyenne

By Dick West, mid-20th Century

Ge-tsi-no-hi-se-di

~ **Barbara Lee Bush, Secretary**

Gillies ~ Please check your personal information in the Directory/Handbook (available in the Gillie Sign-In Room) and confirm your address, telephone number and email are current. Let me know if a correction is required. Thank you!

Sent a *Sympathy* card to::

Family of Steve Walls

Sent *Thinking of You* cards to:

Sally Tucker (husband's surgery)

Barbara Boone (surgery)

Nancy Kingery (facing surgery)

Kathy Horne (husband's surgery)

Joe Meeks (health)

Susan Evans (husband's surgery)

George Hill (wife's surgery)

Sent *Get Well* cards to:

Sandy Montgomery

Sunni Wager

Change of Phone/Email:

Barbara Bush: 951-317-4664

David Robertson: JLR1944@cox.net

Members who are no longer Gillies:

Tom Pendergraft

Marion Sexton

Genie Shannon

We thank them for their service to the Gillies and the Gilcrease Museum.

Please send changes in contact information (address, phone, and email), as well as news about a Gillie who is ill, to Gillies Secretary Barbara Lee Bush at 951-317-4664, email: bush.raintreeranch@gmail.com.

DOCENTS' CORNER

~ **Deanna Storm, Docent Chair**

School is back in session and docents are busier than ever.

But.....we want you to have fun too !!! – see below

NEXT DOCENT MEETING

Friday, October 5, 2018

9:30 for Coffee, 10:00 for Meeting

Gallery 18

**We will concentrate on Enduring Spirit
& have some FUN gallery activities**

Don't miss it!!

(All Gillies welcome)



Buffalo Bulls

By Willard Stone, 1946

LAST CHANCE TO ENJOY THESE EXHIBITS

T.C. Cannon: At the Edge of America closes on 10/7/18

Blake Little: Photographs from the Gay Rodeo closes on 11/25/18.

Exploring the Big Trail closes on 12/31/18.

To Endure in Bronze closes on 12/31/18.

**The Gillies
Thomas Gilcrease Institute of
American History and Art
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Tulsa, OK 74127**

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

October

01,03,08,10, Intern Training	Gallery 18	9:30 - 3:00 p.m.
04 Development Committee Meeting	Board Room	10:00 a.m.
05 Docent Meeting	Gallery 18	10:00 -11:30 a.m.
08 Hospitality Committee Meeting	Gillies Library	10:00 a.m.
09 Gillies trip to McAlester		
11 Executive Committee Meeting	Gillies Library	10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
11 Education Committee Meeting	Board Room	1:00 - 2:30 p.m.
12 Board Meeting	Board Room	9:30 - 11:30 a.m.
15 <i>Smoke Signals</i> deadline for November issue		
15, 17, 29, 31 Provisional Docent Training	Gallery 18	9:30 - 3:00 p.m.
21 Funday Sunday		

November

01 Development Committee Meeting	Board Room	10:00 a.m.
02 Docent Meeting	Gallery 18	10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
05,07,12,14,26,28 Provisional Docent Training	Gallery 18	9:30 - 3:00 p.m.
02 Deadline to RSVP for Gillies Membership Party – <i>All Things Dylan</i>		
08 Executive Committee Meeting	Gillies Library	10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
08 Education Committee Meeting	Board Room	1:00 - 2:00 p.m.
09 Board Meeting	Board Room	9:30 - 11:30 a.m.
11 Gillies Membership Party – <i>All Things Dylan</i>	Vista Room	5:00 – 8:00 p.m.
15 <i>Smoke Signals</i> deadline for December/January issue		
17 Funday Sunday		
18 Jazz Night	Vista Room	5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

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