

SOCIAL AND COMMUNITY NEWS

Milton Presents Larger than Life Portrait Paintings at Gallery S.P.A.C.E.



President Obama and the First Lady, 2010, acrylic, 40 x 60".

Savannah native and artist Arthur Milton will present an exhibition of portrait paintings at Gallery S.P.A.C.E. August 6 – September 3. An opening reception will be held August 6 from 5 - 7 p.m.

The exhibition is a compilation of works over the past 20 years and includes large scale celebrity, family and presidential images in this solo exhibition.

The portraits include favorites such as Lou Rawls, Dolly Parton, and Oprah Winfrey. Other highlights include the Presidential First Family, a

recent inspiration to the artist.

"I'm a big fan of the grassroots hero as well as the mainstream hero that gives back to the community. They often serve as inspiration for my work," says Milton, who has presented a number of celebrities with their portraits, including Oprah Winfrey, Bill Cosby, and Muhammad Ali. "I love the smile that appears on the person's face when they see themselves in my work."

Milton received a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Painting from SCAD and

was a member of the first graduating class in 1982. He received a Master of Fine Arts from the Maryland Institute of Art in Baltimore, MD.

Local commissions includes a portrait painted for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Celebration Committee that now hangs in the Savannah Civic Center's Arena, as well as the more recent representation of Lt. General Walter Gaskin of Savannah, whose portrait will be unveiled at the August 6 opening reception.

The exhibition and opening reception are free and open to the public. S.P.A.C.E. is located at 9 W. Henry St. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Free off-street parking is available. For information, contact 912-651-6783 or visit www.savannahga.gov/arts.

S.P.A.C.E. is Savannah's Place for Art, Culture and Education. Located at 9 W. Henry St., S.P.A.C.E. houses the offices of the City of Savannah's Department of Cultural Affairs as well as a public gallery, a 100-seat black box theatre and art and ceramics studios.

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Fletcher to Speak During Taste of Road Scholar Event



Geoffrey Fletcher, the Academy Award-winner for Best Adapted Screenplay for Precious, will be the special guest speaker at the annual Taste of Road Scholar event taking place on Martha's Vineyard on Tuesday, Aug. 17, 2010, from 5-7 p.m. at Shearer Cottage in Oak Bluffs. This event is sponsored by Road Scholar.

Geoffrey Fletcher is a writer and director who has penned numerous screenplays and directed many short films. He received the Academy Award for Best Adapted Screenplay for his adaptation of Precious from the novel Push by Sapphire.

Mr. Fletcher also received an NAACP Image

Award for Best Adapted Screenplay and an Independent Spirit Award for Best First Screenplay.

"Each year our event celebrates a small piece of African American history through the voices of our guest speakers," says Kathy Taylor, associate vice president at Road Scholar. "It's an honor to have Geoffrey with us this summer. As the first African American screenwriter to receive an Oscar, he will offer a unique perspective into Hollywood and the extraordinary film that touched so many."

A Taste of Road Scholar on Martha's Vineyard is offered on the island by Road Scholar, known for its excep-

tional learning opportunities for adults. The Taste program is a sampling of the organization's programs that include access to expert lecturers and is part of Road Scholar's national outreach initiative to build awareness of its learning adventures in the African American community.

Road Scholar is the name for the programs developed and offered by Elderhostel, Inc., the not-for-profit world leader in lifelong learning since 1975. Our mission is to empower adults to explore the world's places, peoples, cultures and ideas, and in so doing to discover more about themselves. A fellowship of learning and the joy of discovery are the hallmarks of the Road Scholar experience.

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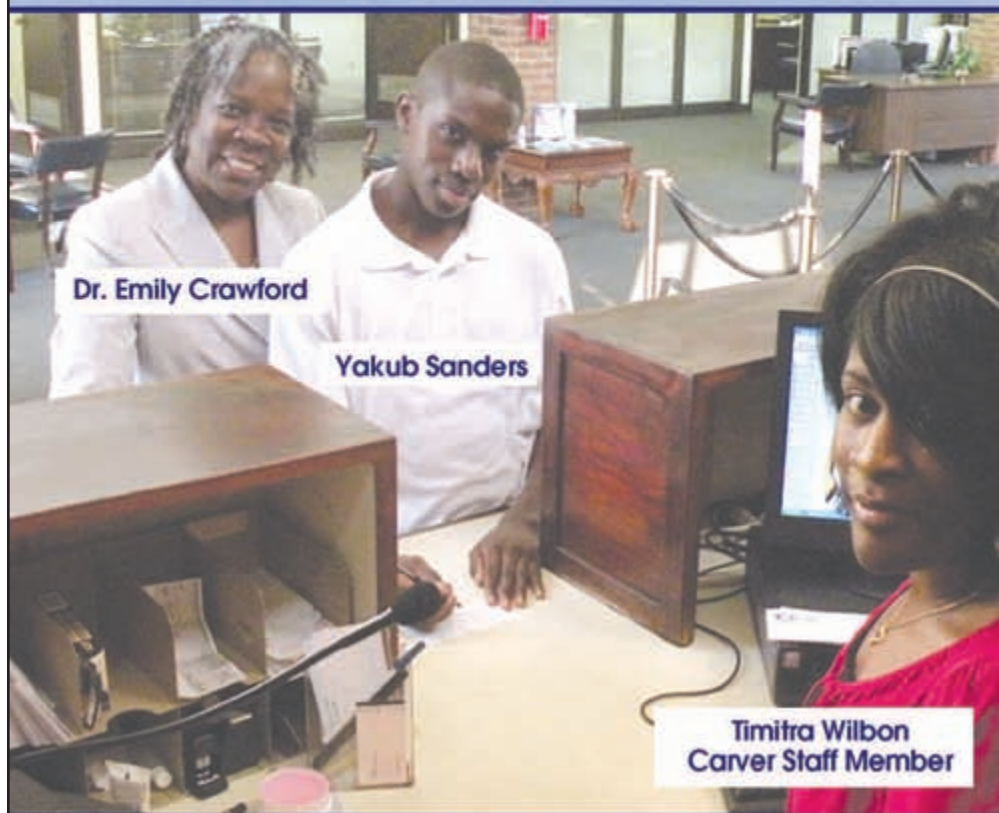
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