



Greenville County **Museum of Art**

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News Release

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Don't miss AFAD Weekend at the GCMA

Greenville, SC-- This year the Greenville County Museum of Art marks the 31st anniversary of its signature event, **Antiques, Fine Art and Design Weekend**. Sponsored by United Community Bank, the annual show opens to the public on Friday, October 21 and ends Sunday afternoon, October 23. Admission is \$5 and is good for all three days of the event.

Twenty-six dealers from across the country will exhibit the best antiques, fine art, and design in the Museum's iconic modern setting on Heritage Green. Silver, linens, fine art, folk art, jewelry, primitives, porcelain, and outstanding antique furniture are for sale.

This year's show features a presentation by noted interior decorator and designer, Barbara Westbrook on Friday morning. Westbrook will talk about her award-winning work for both residential and commercial clients including Old Edwards Inn in Highlands, North Carolina. Westbrook's first design book, ***Gracious Rooms***, was released in 2015 and is available at the GCMA. Her work has been featured in numerous shelter magazines, including *Architectural Digest*, *Garden & Gun*, *Traditional Home*, *House Beautiful*, and *Atlanta Homes & Lifestyles*. Her presentation on Friday, October 21, begins at 10:30 am in the Museum Theater. Light refreshments will be served beginning at 10 am. Seats are \$30 and include general admission to AFAD Weekend. To reserve a spot, call 864.546.4061 or visit gcma.org/antiques.

In addition to shopping from an array of stunning antiques, fine art, and folk art, guests can savor delicious Southern hospitality with a tasty boxed lunch, or relax in the afternoon with a cup of coffee or glass of wine at Antiques and Drinks.

Since its inception, the *Art for Greenville* campaign has raised more than \$9 million for the acquisition of more than 140 works of art for Greenville. Antiques, Fine Art and Design

Weekend is the celebration of this year's successful *Art for Greenville* campaign. Today the Greenville County Museum of Art is recognized as one of the country's finest American art museums. Visitors come from around the world and around the corner to see the outstanding collections of works by Andrew Wyeth and Jasper Johns along with the renowned Southern Collection, all made possible by the tireless efforts of volunteers and the incredible generosity of the community. This year's acquisitions will be on view during AFAD Weekend in the exhibition *The Poetry of Place*. Also on view are the exhibitions *Grainger McKoy* and *Syd Solomon: Concealed and Revealed*.

The 2016 Antiques, Fine Art & Design Weekend show hours are from 10 am until 6 pm on Friday, October 21 and Saturday, October 22, and from 1 pm until 5 pm on Sunday, October 23. For more information, visit gcma.org/antiques or call 864.546.4061.

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