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TO MY FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS

What gives people the energy to do what they do? Some are motivated by the promise of financial reward, some crave social position, some are motivated by curiosity and some by something else. I invite you to ask any of the 49 artists on this, the Ninth Annual Great Falls Studios Tour, what drives them to give the time, resources, thought and hope to their art. Ask them also how they work, where they get their materials, where they look for inspiration, what they do when they draw a blank. Ask them—they may tell you something really surprising! Please join us!

Laura Nichols

President, Great Falls Studios

YOUR ART TOUR HOSTS: GREAT FALLS STUDIOS

In 2003, a handful of local artists sitting around a kitchen table launched a movement to help promote creativity in Great Falls. They started a group called Great Falls Studios. Today, this organization has more than 100 artist members. We serve our community while helping kindred spirits advance professionally in the arts. The Studios Tour is our signature event. In its first eight years, it has generated more than 21,500 visits to home-based art studios and other art venues in Great Falls and has become a "go to" arts event in the DC area.

To learn more about us and our artists, please visit our website: www.GreatFallsStudios.com. While there, you can see the artwork of our members, along with an online gallery of local art that changes monthly. Then enjoy our tour. Meet you in Great Falls.



2012 Studios Tour AT A GLANCE

EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE NINTH ANNUAL GREAT FALLS STUDIOS TOUR

What it is: A self-guided driving tour to meet 49 artists in their home studios or in group venues.

Where: Great Falls, Virginia.

When: Saturday and Sunday, October 20 and 21, 2012. Hours: 10:00 to 5:00. Rain or shine.

Cost: Free.

What you'll see: Home-based art studios and other venues scattered on scenic back roads. Meet artists in their creative "habitats," including barns, historic buildings, rustic homes, contemporary houses. Enjoy fall colors.

How to navigate: Drive from venue to venue. Free maps and roadside directional signs will help you find your way. Pick up a brochure at any venue on tour days.

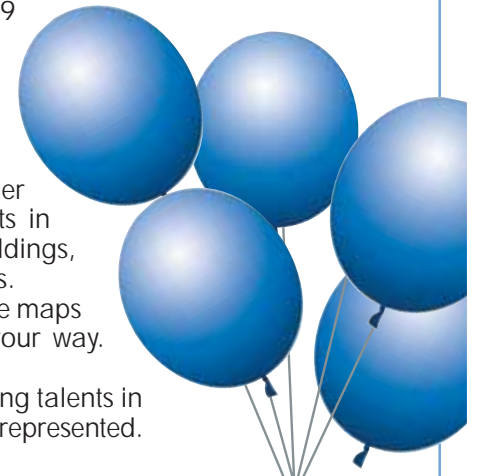
About the artists: Our artists include many leading talents in the DC area. You'll find a dozen different art mediums represented.

Buying local art: All artists will be selling their work. If buying art is on your agenda, bring a checkbook since many studios do not have credit-card capability.

"Art Buck" prizes: Win one of forty \$50 certificates good toward art purchases. Register for a drawing through October 18 at www.GreatFallsStudios.com. Winners will be notified by telephone before the tour.

Bonus home opening: Our tour is sponsored by Sun Design Remodeling Specialists, Inc., which will hold a concurrent tour featuring an open house at a Great Falls home it has renovated. Discover elegant design solutions to remodeling challenges.

Meals: Four participating local restaurants will be open for lunch and/or dinner: BRX American Bistro, L'Auberge Chez François, The Old Brogue Irish Pub, and Mediterranean Restaurant (Saturday only).



FRIENDS OF THE ARTS: WE TIP OUR HATS

Our tour would be impossible without the help of those who support our vision. To them we offer a heartfelt thank you:

Tour sponsor: Sun Design, a home remodeling company, is our primary financial benefactor. Please visit Sun's home tour, concurrent with our own. www.SunDesignInc.com.

Restaurants: Stop for lunch or dinner at one of four official tour eateries: BRX American Bistro, L'Auberge Chez François, The Old Brogue Irish Pub, and Mediterranean Restaurant.

Advertisers: Please see ads in this newspaper insert for companies and non-profits that support the tour, and consider supporting them with your business.

Year-round partners: Special kudos to those that hang local art or otherwise support the arts: Great Falls Citizens Association, Great Falls Community Library, Great Falls Foundation for the Arts, The Old Brogue Irish Pub, Seneca Hill Animal Hospital Resort & Spa, Turner Framing, Inc., and Village Green Day School.





Ninth Annual Great Falls
Studios Tour 2012

Photo Guide To WHAT You'll SEE ON THE TOUR

The Ninth Annual Great Falls Studios Tour will transport you to creative outposts throughout our village. You can visit home studios, group studios and other venues to meet artists and chat about the creative process. Many studios are located in extraordinary contemporary or historic houses, or in old barns, converted garages or sheds. In all, 49 artists will take part. All live or work in Great Falls. The art you'll see varies dramatically in style, cost and subject matter.

The tour is free. You can go in any order. Use the map on page 8 of this newspaper insert as your guide. Brochures with artist information and sample art can be picked up at any venue on tour days.

HOUSES AND SPACES



Photograph by Al Reilian

Vad Moskowitz, fiber artist/weaver (Studio #3)



Photograph by Al Reilian

GuruSangat Khalsa, painter (Studio #26)



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Michael McDermott, digital artist/photographer (Studio #14)

ARTISTS CREATING



Photograph by Michael McDermott

Barbara Gatterdam, potter (Studio #21)



Photograph by Dean Souleles

Karen Bateman, painter (on location, Venue #14)



Photograph by Don Fowler

Dean Souleles, photographer (Studio #27)

STUDIOS AND WORKPLACES



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Jo Fleming, painter (Studio #5)

ART of All Kinds



Robin Kent, photographer (Studio #28)



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Artists' Atelier, multiple artists (Venue #24)



Jinny Beyer, fiber artist/quilter (Studio #20)



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Will Tuthill, printmaker (Studio #8)



Kathleen O'Bryan Hedges, sculptor (Studio #25)



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Offered at \$7,500,000

EXQUISITELY RENOVATED FARMHOUSE

Exquisite is the only way to describe this 1938 farmhouse completely renovated, restored and expanded by architect David Decker. A completely private 2 acres in the middle of one of McLean's most prestigious neighborhoods, this charming home has so much to offer. Beautiful finishes, grand rooms for entertaining, a wrap-around front porch, French doors throughout, beautiful views along with 7 fireplaces.





The Sun Design open house features a newly expanded kitchen with a warm farmhouse feel. It can be seen during a free Sun Design tour that runs concurrently with the Great Falls Studios Tour.

ART TOUR COMPANION EVENT FEATURES REMODELED HOME

Tour sponsor Sun Design shows off its capabilities, brings 'ART' TO HOME RESTORATION

A second tour that runs concurrently with the Great Falls Studios Tour will be hosted by Sun Design, an architectural design-build remodeling firm—same days, same hours.

Visitors interested in reinventing their own homes can drop by an open house where Sun has partially remodeled the main living level, to include a kitchen that is now open to the family room, and more. Craftspeople from the company will guide visitors through the space while answering questions and educating them on the design-build process.

Sun Design, which is based in Burke and has been in business for more than two decades, has just opened its second office in McLean. For the second year, it is the sole sponsor of the Great Falls Studios Tour. The

company's financial support makes the art tour possible.

The partnership between a community arts organization and a regional company that brings new life to homes is based on the value of good design, each organization says. "We're delighted to have a company supporting our art event that places such importance on aesthetics in its home remodeling," said Laura Nichols, president of Great Falls Studios.

Location of the Sun Design open house is shown on our map, pages 8 and 9, with a yellow-and-brown icon. Two of the home-based art studios on the Studio Tour are also located in homes where Sun has completed renovation work. You can find out which ones by looking at the key with our map.

FOR HUNGRY TOUR VISITORS: A Choice of Lunch Spots

FOUR GREAT FALLS RESTAURANTS ARE OFFICIAL WATERING HOLES

Four Great Falls restaurants are participating in the 2012 Studios Tour as tour partners. They will be open for lunch or dinner.

The four are L'Auberge Chez François, BRX American Bistro, Mediteranee Restaurant and the Old Brogue Irish Pub. (Mediteranee will

be open on Saturday only.) All four are shown on our map and accompanying key, on pages 8 and 9 of this newspaper insert.

The restaurants provide a range of cuisines and price points. Dining at any of them offers a respite from busy art sightseeing.

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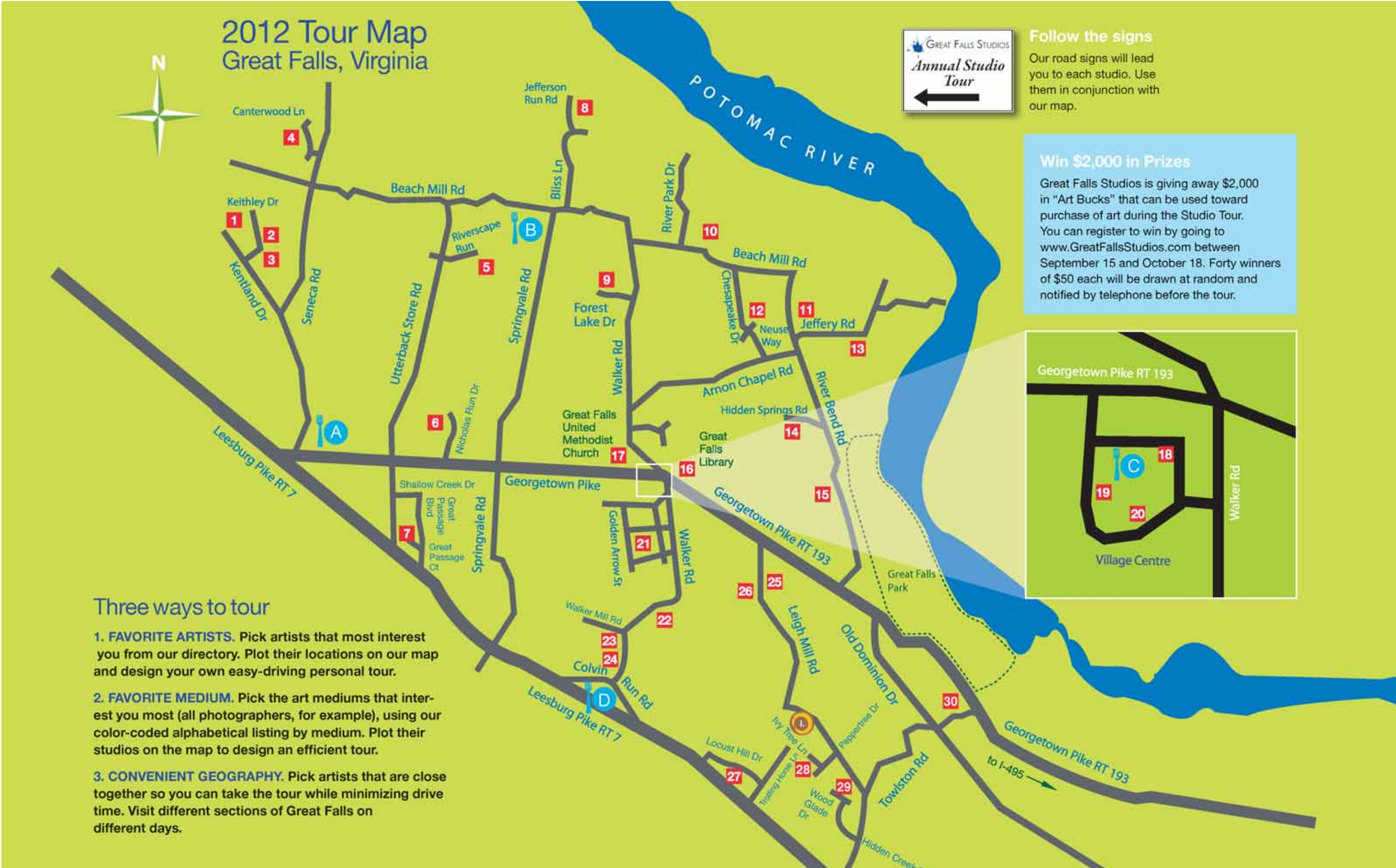
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MEET THE ARTISTS

Alphabetical listing of TOUR ARTISTS by MEDIUM

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| Numbers key to studio locations on our map | | |
| Digital Artists | | |
| Michael McDermott..... | #14 | |
| Fiber Artists | | |
| Jinny Beyer | #20 | |
| Cindy Grisdela | #24 | |
| Vad Moskowitz | #3 | |
| Flower Designer | | |
| Binaifer Davar | #16 | |
| Jewelry Designers | | |
| Jorge Adeler | #19 | |
| Donna Barnako | #10 | |
| Linda Rosen | #17 | |
| Layered Paper Artist | | |
| Ronni Jolles | #12 | |
| Mixed Media Artists | | |
| Roberta Pruett Beasley..... | #24 | |
| Tina Learned | #24 | |
| Sheila Lynch | #15 | |
| Painters | | |
| Jill Banks | #24 | |
| Karen Bateman | #14 | |
| Benjamin Cheshire | #17 | |
| Hwa Crawford | #16 | |
| Jennifer Duncan | #23 | |
| Elaine Elinsky | #24 | |
| Jo Fleming | #5 | |
| Betty Ganley | #16 | |
| Robert Gilbert | #29 | |
| Yeganeh Hejazl | #7 | |
| Linda Jones..... | #30 | |
| GuruSangat Khalsa | #26 | |
| Michela Mansulino | #24 | |
| John McCabe | #24 | |
| Begoña Morton | #6 | |
| Mehrnaz Moussavi | #11 | |
| Pat Neuman | #13 | |
| Gail Pean | #18 | |
| Alicia Sommers | #16 | |
| Judith St. Ledger-Roty | #24 | |
| Mollie Vardell | #24 | |
| Photographers | | |
| Jan Bender | #2 | |
| Robin Kent | #28 | |
| Walt Lawrence | #24 | |
| Dee Leggett | #17 | |
| Val Mahan | #9 | |
| Terri Parent | #24 | |
| Silvia Gonzalez Roman | #16 | |
| Dean Souleles | #27 | |
| Potters | | |
| David Cowdrill | #1 | |
| Barbara Gatterdam..... | #21 | |
| Laura Nichols..... | #14 | |
| Pu-Chin Waide | #22 | |
| Printmaker | | |
| William Tuthill | #8 | |
| Sculptors | | |
| Jonathan Fisher..... | #4 | |
| Kathleen O'Bryan Hedges | #25 | |
| Wood Carver | | |
| Michael Long | #17 | |
| Art School | | |
| Great Falls School of Art | #24 | |



How to Read Our Map

Finding the artists: Numerals in red squares on our map show the locations of individual art studios or other art venues. They are keyed to an alphabetical list of artists by medium.

Home restoration: A yellow-and-brown Sun icon shows the location where Sun Design staff will walk visitors through a recently completed home renovation. This home will be open to all visitors of the tour. Details are listed below:

Sun Design Home Remodel Site:
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Explore the warm farmhouse feel of a country, rustic kitchen with large center island, new pantry, breakfast area, powder room, and mud room.

Sun Design Bonus:
When you visit the renovated art studio of painter Jennifer Duncan, #23 on map, and home of Nancy Broyhill and painter Robert Gilbert, #29 on map, you'll be seeing other reinvented spaces by Sun Design.

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Great Falls Studios, organizer of the Ninth Annual Great Falls Studios Tour, has announced that its member artists are giving away forty gift certificates, each worth \$50, to be used toward purchase of art on the tour. The certificates are called Art Bucks.

The giveaway takes place via a drawing now being held, through October 18, at the Great Falls Studios website: www.GreatFallsStudios.com. To win, simply register online. Forty winners will be picked randomly and will be informed by phone prior to the Studio Tour. Winners can pick up their Art Bucks at the Great Falls

Library on tour days. The library is one of the venues on the tour.

The Art Buck program has two main goals. One is to encourage you to visit our website, where you can meet artists online while you are registering for an Art Buck or look at our virtual gallery, where the art changes monthly. The other is to stimulate sales of local art at the Studios Tour.

Each participating artist will be selling original art "Made in Great Falls." The work includes some of the finest art produced in the Metro area. And it is offered at reasonable prices—lower than you would pay in leading galleries.



You can win a \$50 gift certificate, called an Art Buck, by going online. In all, \$2,000 in prizes will be given away for purchase of art during the tour.

Holiday ART SALE To BENEFIT School

*NEXT GREAT FALLS STUDIOS EVENT TO RAISE
MONEY FOR CHILDREN'S' ART RESOURCES*

Once the dust settles from the studio tour, there's more art on the horizon for Great Falls—and this time it will focus on art education for younger kids.

The annual Great Falls Studios Holiday Art Sale will be held December 8 and 9 from 10:00 to 5:00 at the Village Green Day School, 790 Walker Road, just south of the Village Centre. During the sale, selected artists from Great Falls Studios will sell paintings, photographs, pottery, jewelry, art quilts, cards and other art that is especially suitable for the gift-giving season. "

This is a great time to buy last-minute presents that are 'Made in Great Falls,'" said Linda Jones, a

painter who organizes the event for Great Falls Studios. "It's also an opportunity to buy high-quality artworks for yourself."

A percentage of all sales will be donated to the school to help build its art education program. The Village Green Day School is for pre-school-age children.

For up-to-date listings of other arts events scheduled throughout the year by Great Falls Studios, you can go to the calendar at the group's website: www.GreatFallsStudios.com. One upcoming event: the Great Falls Studios Art Boutique at Herndon ArtSpace (750 Center St., Herndon, VA). It will open Tuesday, October 28, through Saturday, November 3, 10:00 to 5:00.

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| Ingrid Fliter, piano Haydn, Beethoven, Chopin Fri., November 2 at 8 pm | Chatham Baroque J.S. Bach, Buxtehude, Biber, Schmelzer Fri., March 15 at 8 pm |
| JACK Quartet Derek Bermel, clarinet World premiere Wolf Trap commission plus Ligeti and Brahms Fri., January 11 at 8 pm | Peter Kolkay, bassoon Wolf Trap Debut Artist with Alexandra Nguyen, piano and Deirdre Chadwick, oboe Moravec, Poulenc, Lalliet Fri., April 5 at 8 pm |
| Steven Isserlis, cello Kirill Gerstein, piano Liszt, Busoni, Brahms, Bartók Fri., January 25 at 8 pm | <p>Parker String Quartet: 3/1</p> |
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MEET A PALETTE OF ARTISTS: FROM POTTERS TO PAINTERS

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On this year's studios tour you can find a wood carver wielding a chain saw. Or a weaver who dyes wool on her front porch. Or a printmaker

outsourcing lithographic stones on a historic printing press.

In all, there are 49 artists taking part, and they all have stories. Each

creates something different. And each works in a personal space that says something novel about the creative process. You can meet them

all and let some of the magic rub off.

Here's what you'll discover when you interact with the artists of Great Falls:

POWWOW With POTTERS

There are four potteries on the tour. They range from a historic outbuilding on an 18th-Century farm to a converted two-car garage. These studios are particularly interesting to visit because so much is going on—fiery kilns, splattery wheels, drying racks, earthen colors. Watch talented craftspeople transform wet clay into urns, mugs, dishes, fountains, serving plates—even miniature animals.



Laura Nichols, potter (Studio #14)

SCHMOOZE With SCULPTORS

You'll discover human figures and animals cast in bronze, or bright abstractions in wood. Studios this year: a converted shed that doubles as an art school and a small barn in an orchard. Witness the creative process in three dimensions and get insight into how the human brain copes with viewing art from multiple perspectives.



Jonathan Fisher, sculptor (Studio #4)

PUTTER With PAINTERS

Painters make up the biggest group on the Tour: 21 of them.

These artists are as different as cats and dogs, guns and butter, Romney and Obama. Some of them work in watercolor, oils, acrylics. Pastel and charcoal artists are in this group, too.

You can check out wildlife art, shimmering abstract pieces, ocean scenes, still lifes, landscapes, portraits. Some painters produce towering creations, some miniatures only a few inches across. You can even commission paintings for your home. Visit some of these brush-wielding artisans in group venues, such as the Artists' Atelier, where 15 creative types do their thing in a charming oversized garret. Find others at the Great Falls Library, the Great Falls United Methodist Church, or in a variety of home-based studios, one as entertaining as the next



Michela Mansuino, painter (Studio #24)

BEFRIEND PHOTOGRAPHERS

If you're a camera buff, expect great shooting tips. Visit an old-fashioned darkroom or discover cutting-edge digital wizardry via computer. Revel in incredible images that range from black-and-white photograms to stunning views of DC-area monuments. Learn about lenses and other equipment, but pay special attention to the greatest piece of photographic equipment of all—the human eye. There are eight photographers and a digital artist on the tour.



Jan Bender, photographer (Studio #2)

Jabber About Jewelry

Three designers are on the tour. You'll find one in an in-town shop, another in the treetops in a contemporary house off the beaten path, still another at the Methodist Church. Hear tales of design, adventure and inspiration. See amazing wearable art and high fashion.



Donna Barnako, jewelry designer (Studio #10)



Roberta Pruett Beasley, mixed media (Studio #24)

Mingle With Mixed Media

Look for the unexpected—from bathroom sinks to 3-D wall hangings made of weird stuff. Discover unlikely creations. Find out where offbeat ideas come from. "Mixed" means combinations of different art media, so there are always surprises, including bizarre textures.



Vad Moskowitz, weaver (Studio #3)

FRATERNIZE With Fiberists

See how quilting has become high art—with stunning traditional designs or mind-blowing contemporary works. Watch talented hands at work. There are two quilters in this group (some quilters prefer to be called fiber artists these days). There's also a weaver (her loom rocks) who makes small purses.

(Continued on page 14)



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These may be the best of all. Meet a printmaker (old-fashioned press), a layered paper artist (complete with baby grand piano in the studio), a wood carver (that's the one with the chain saw), and a floral designer (see live flowers as art).

Ronni Jolles, layered paper (Studio #12)

Yeganeh Hejazi (Studio #7)

Every year our tour has artists you've never met before. In 2012, six of them are new to the event—or returning after an absence. And that means different art for you to see. You'll find these creative talents at venues #1, #7, # 16, #17, #24, #25.

Want to learn more about artists on the tour? For more samples of their work and a profile, go to: www.GreatFallsStudios.com. For some artists, you can also link to a personal website. Then enjoy the tour, the art, the studios, the creative process, friendly conversations, extraordinary properties, our artful community—and, at some unspecified studios, free cookies while they last.

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