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Incognito Art Auction & Gala Returns to the Memphis Botanic Garden this January

The Memphis Botanic Garden (MBG) is pleased to announce the Incognito Art Auction & Gala will return again in 2023. The artwork is on view January 9-27 in the Garden's Visitors Center with online bidding available January 17-27.

The in-person Gala will return for the first time since 2020 on January 27 from 5:30-7:30 pm. Gala attendees will mix & mingle with the Incognito artists at this exciting culmination of the annual art auction. Live music from Kenneth Jackson will delight while attendees make their final bids on the diverse selection of artwork up for auction this year. Small bites & two drinks are included with each ticket. Gala tickets are \$35 for MBG Members and \$45 for non-members.

Over 100 artists donated a piece of original unsigned work to encourage viewers to bid on what they love, not who they know including Mid-South favorites such as Ron Olson, Jerry Lawler, and more. See the full artists list below. The identity of the artist for each piece remains incognito until after the auction concludes.

Participating artists: Jamie Acor, Stephanie Albion, Ann Aldinger, Michael Allen, Libby Anderson, Mary Baddour, Rick Bailey, Lisa Balton, Claire Barnett, Sharron Barrett, Carolyn Bernard, Kelly Blumenthal, Jim Blythe, Phyllis Boger, Brandi Boyd, Patti Bundy, Jan Carnall, Carol Caughey, Rebecca Chappell, David Chapple, Rena Chiozza, Teresa Chumney, Christine Collins, Martha Cook, Kay Coop, Frances Cowden, Pam Craig, Saj Crone, Jane Croy, Dana DeLarme, Rita Deweese, Ann Dwyer, Suzanne Evans, Dawn Fetty, Barrie Foster, Alisa Free, Glenn Fuqua, Gary Gibson, Mary Harvey Gurley, Jim Henderson, Barbara Hicks, Sandra Hill, Donna Hopper, Sandra Horton, Nancy Hunter, Amy Hutcheson, Gay Johnston, Katie Jones, Janice Kennedy, Nancy Kurtz, Julie Lakebrink, Spring Lamb, Connie Lampen, Tad Lauritzen Wright, Jerry Lawler, Frank Lilly, Linda Lucchesi, Sally Markell, Sheila Martin, Sherry May, Bob McCabe, Carol McGarrity, Patrick McGee, Marty McKee, Becky Ross McRae, Annabelle Meacham, Jenny Miller, Michael Moffitt, Frederick Lyle Morris, Carolyn Moss, Sharman Murley, Gopal Murti, Julie

Nouwen, Evelina Ogorodnikova, Beth Okeon, Ron Olson, Marty Parker, Anna Parker, Jeannine Paul, Mary Pera, Carol Perel, Karen Perrin, Betty Peyton, Maja Price, Connie Pride, Lee Ramirez, Lynn K. Reed, Quinlan Rhodes, Meryl Rose, Joy Routt, Lisa Russell, Pam Santi, Amanda Jo Schmitt, Rose Scott, Carl Scott, Sandy Scruggs, Jacqué' Sligh, Felicitas Sloves, Kathryn Smith, Margaret Smith, Agnes Gordon Stark, Mandy Talley, Ann Brown Thomason, Barbara Tigrett, Jess Tinsley, Lainey Turner, Linda Umphress, Joe Umphress, Judy Vandergrift, Frances Vaughan, Glenna Rogers Ward, Lynn Weinberg, Lance David White, Julie Wiklund, Jana Wilson, Wanda Winsett, Willie Wood, Jon Woodhams, NJ Woods, Marcia Wunderlich, and Angie Wynn

This year's event is dedicated in memory of Peggy Miller & Pat Godfrey McKee. Proceeds support the Memphis Botanic Garden. Incognito is supported, in part, by Artists' Link, a volunteer organization, resource, and support group for Memphis area visual artists and a link between artists and the community.

Learn more and purchase gala tickets at membg.org/events/incognito

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