

Chamber debuts annual Oxford print

Tutor creates special print for Artists' Series

Are you looking for a unique Oxford print? Maybe something that captures the essence of Oxford in a seemingly simplistic but ultimately surreal and dynamic fashion as though experiencing the city for the first time. Well, the Chamber may have just what you are looking for.

The Oxford-Lafayette County Chamber of Commerce is featuring another in a series of prints that showcase talents of artists in the area. This year's print, "Afternoon on the Square," is by famed Oxford artist Glennray Tutor.

This beautiful photorealistic art piece sends you on a stroll back through time as it peers toward the center of the historic Oxford Square from the west as if strolling down Van Buren on a late afternoon walk. The art features shops and stores that have come and gone, plus some that have stood strong through the years, sparking memories for many Oxonians and Ole Miss alumni alike.

Tutor, known for his photorealistic paintings, is part of the photorealism art movement. His paintings are immersed with intense color, nostalgic items, metaphor, and a complete focus on detail.

His works have been shown at The Mendenhall Gallery in California, The Cole Pratt Gallery in New Orleans, The Hahn Ross Gallery in Santa Fe, The Alice Bingham Gallery in Memphis, The Frist Center of Visual Arts in Nashville, The Mississippi Museum of Art, The Schmidt-Bingham Gallery in New York, Helander Gallery in New York and the World's Fair in New Orleans as well as many other well respected art galleries.

Influenced by painters Ralph Goings and Charles Bell, Tutor is a graduate of the University of Mississippi



"Afternoon on the Square" by Oxford artist Glennray Tutor.

where he received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Art and English in 1974 and his Master of Fine Arts degree in Painting in 1976. During the years of 1999 and 2000, his artwork was featured in a show known as "Outward Bound: American Art on the Brink of the Twenty-first Century: An Exhibition of American Contemporary Art" which was sponsored by the Mobil Corp. The traveling gallery show started in Washington, D.C., and continued to tour South Eastern Asia.

The limited edition signed and numbered print can be purchased for \$25 at the Chamber of Commerce office, located at 299 W Jackson Ave. Only 250 prints will be sold.

Tutor's artwork is also featured on the cover of the 2009-2010 Oxford-Lafayette County Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development Foundation Community Guide and Membership Directory. He won first place in the tenth Annual Art Contest held by the Chamber of Commerce in the spring.

For more information about the print or the Oxford-Lafayette County Chamber of Commerce, call 662-234-4651.

Haunted House on the Square

The Library Bar & Grill is hosting a bone-chilling Haunted House to benefit the Oxford-Lafayette Humane Society on Monday and Tuesday from 5 to 10 p.m. The cost is \$3 for kids, \$5 for adults, or buy an unlimited pass for \$10.

depending on how fast you walk/run through the haunted house. (This will be a kid friendly event).

Supporters of the Humane Society are reminded to attend Yappy Hour on Tuesday at Parrish's on the Square from 6-8 p.m. Bring

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