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Douglas County Art Guild: A Group Exhibition

Douglasville, Georgia – The Cultural Arts Council of Douglasville/Douglas County presents a group exhibition during the month of May by the Douglas County Art Guild, a CAC satellite. The exhibit will feature recent works in a variety of mediums by the guild members – including acrylic, photograph, screenprint, fused glass, watercolor, oil and multimedia. The exhibition opens on Thursday, May 1st and will be on view through May 30th. The opening reception, hosted by the Sweetwater Camera Club (a local photography group and fellow CAC satellite) will be on Thursday, May 1st from 6 until 8 p.m., at the Cultural Arts Council. Reception, gallery admission, and tours are free and open to the general public.

The Douglas County Art Guild, founded in 1973, is an organization composed of practicing artists and friends of the visual arts in Douglas County. The organization's mission is to promote the arts in the community while advancing local artists through networking and exhibition opportunities. The guild provides informative lectures, notable speakers, and educational demonstrations across all mediums in an effort to stimulate and inspire its members.

Some of the Art Guild members that will be seen in this show are:

Barry Banner, a self-taught painter, began producing work six years ago when he entered retirement. In this exhibit he features *Decisions* – a 24 by 30 inch oil painting rich in blue hues and textures. The ethereal dream-like landscape engulfs a mysterious figure in a trench coat as he stands with his back to the viewer. The piece, an expressive representation of emotions, evokes in the observer the anguish, anxiety, and fear of the character.

Lois Jones recently returned to painting after a successful 40 year career in the information technology field. In the one year she's been painting, Lois has produced a wide variety of work, but mostly scenes from life events she finds inspirational. One of the works she's featuring is *A Place of Peace* – an 18 by 22 inch acrylic painting depicting colorful and serene landscape.

Cristhian Perez Molina, the current gallery and programs coordinator at the CAC and recent Art Guild member, will be exhibiting *El Chinelo* – a vibrant 8 by 8 screenprint that highlights his Mexican heritage and culture. He received his Bachelors degree of Fine Arts with a concentration in photography from the University of West Georgia in 2012; since then, he's been busy developing new work with themes ranging from personal exploration to social constructs.

The Cultural Arts Council of Douglasville/ Douglas County, located at 8652 Campbellton Street in historic downtown Douglasville, Georgia, is open Mondays through Fridays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For directions and more information, visit www.artsdouglas.org or contact the Cultural Arts Council at 770.949.2787.

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The mission of the Cultural Arts Council of Douglasville/ Douglas County is to nurture, guide and stimulate the enjoyment of and participation in the arts among Douglas County residents by providing an atmosphere conducive to the arts, broadening the spectrum of quality exhibits and performances available to the community, and fostering individual interactions with the arts through a wide range of satellite groups. The Cultural Arts Council is supported in part by the City of Douglasville, the Douglas County Board of Commissioners, and the Georgia Council for the Arts, a partner agency of the National Endowment for the Arts.

