



**Cultural Arts Council**  
of Douglasville/Douglas County

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**The Arts Council Hosts its 5<sup>th</sup> Annual NOVAS Exhibit**

*Douglasville, Georgia* – The Cultural Arts Council of Douglasville/Douglas County is proud to announce the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual National Open Visual Arts Show, otherwise known as NOVAS 2016. The exhibit will feature works in a variety of media – including but not limited to oil, photography, bronze, iron, ceramics, watercolor, mixed-media, fused glass, and acrylic – from 56 artists across 5 states. The exhibit opened on Thursday, September 1<sup>st</sup> and runs through the 29<sup>th</sup>. The awards reception, hosted by the Douglas County Art Guild (a local arts organization and CAC satellite), will be held on Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup> from 6 until 8 p.m., at the Cultural Arts Council. Gallery admission, tour and reception are free. If you're interested in a special gallery tour, please call the CAC to schedule an appointment – 770.949.2787.

The entire community is invited to join many of the artists in attendance during the awards reception for one of our biggest annual exhibits of the year. With such a variety of work across different mediums, sizes, and price ranges, this is one of the best opportunities to add to your personal art collection or purchase a special gift for a loved one. Enjoy the astonishing works of art, meet the artists, network, and have a grand time.

The CAC would like to thank the Red Cockerill Gallery for their continued support & sponsorship of the NOVAS exhibit. Due to their generosity, the CAC can offer \$1,000 in awards to four talented artists. This year's award winners will be selected by University of West Georgia professors Casey McGuire, Stephanie Smith, and Mark Schoon. McGuire is an associate professor teaching sculpture and foundations classes and also the foundations coordinator; Smith is a lecturer teaching printmaking & foundations classes and also the gallery coordinator; Schoon is an assistant professor teaching all levels of photography.

The Red Cockerill Gallery, located in Austell since 1975, 2845 Cemetery St. Austell, GA 30106, provides custom framing, as well as sales of original artworks and limited edition prints, and conducts regular art classes and workshops. For more info, please call 770.944. 3180 or visit [www.RedCockerillGallery.com](http://www.RedCockerillGallery.com).

The Douglas County Art Guild, a membership organization for working artists and friends of the visual arts, has their regular meetings on the first Tuesday of the month from 6:30 until 9:00 p.m. at St. Julian's Episcopal Church. For more info, please contact Lind Britt at [Lbritt@comcast.net](mailto:Lbritt@comcast.net) or visit [www.DouglasCountyArtGuild.com](http://www.DouglasCountyArtGuild.com).

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](http://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 and the Douglas County Board of Commissioners.*