



Black Belt Treasures Happenings



September 2012

Dear Wilcox,

The kids are back in school, <u>football</u> has begun, and a hint of fall is in the air.

Here at Black Belt Treasures, there has been a lot of excitement as we prepare for the coming months' events: After School Art Classes begin the first week of September; we have lots of youth and adult art classes planned; we have wonderful new jewelry, fine art, and art supplies arriving in the gallery; our Textile Arts Circle is having a great time each Thursday morning; and our Staff & Volunteers are busy getting ready for our annual Patchwork Festival which is just around the corner (October 20th). Did we mention there are only 115 shopping days until Christmas?

It is our goal to share information about all of Black Belt Treasures' offerings with you on a regular basis. We hope to keep you up to date on all we have to offer. We hope, in turn, that you will share with us how we are doing? what offerings you would like to see? new Black Belt area artists in your area? and any other thoughts, concerns, or ideas to help us grow!

So sit back, enjoy a plate of Gantt Pecan Brittle, and plan your next visit to Camden and Black

Belt Treasures...

After School Art



In Camden: Tuesdays & Thursdays until 5pm.

Beginning September 4 & 6

Instructor: Kristin Law

Painting, Drawing, Clay, Printmaking, and more...

In Pine Hill: TBA

Grades K-6

Cost: Call for Details

Pay for 28 Sessions, 14 sessions, or 2 at a time





Join us each Thursday from 10am - 12pm at Black Belt Treasures. Bring your latest project - knitting, crocheting, quilting, weaving... spend time with new & old friends, share & learn together.

Participation is FREE

Stained Glass

Workshop



Four Day Workshop with John Hogarth. Each participant will <u>complete</u> one beautiful window.

In Camden:

September 18, 20-22

\$195 per person

Mommy & Me

Art Classes

Adult Art Classes



Adult Night Out Every 2nd and 4th Friday Painting, Pottery, Jewelry, and more... In Camden: Sept. 14 & 28 Oct. 12 & 26 Nov. 9 & 23 Dec. TBA BBT Book Club



For the "little ones" and mom (or grandma) to create a unique treasure together. Instructor: Jennifer Dailey

In Camden:

First Saturday of each month



Join Black Belt Treasures Book Club, which features authors and words with Black Belt roots. There is no fee to join, just a love of books.

Meets bi-monthly.

September 20 @ 2pm

Call ahead to confirm attendance. (beginning October 6) Joint meeting of BBT Book Club and Wilcox Historical Society, at Camden ARP Church. "The Chaplain's Conflict: Good and Evil in a War Hospital, 1943-1945" by Tennant McWilliams November 15 @ 5pm at Black Belt Treasures "The Cross Garden" by Marlin Barton Patchwork Festival ...Coming Soon... Holiday Art Workshops & Parties Youth & Adult Holiday Art **Artist Demonstrations** Workshops will start in **Kids Art Activities** November. Live Music by "Grasshopper String Band" & more... Private Holiday Art Classes and Fish Fry w/ Wilcox Area COC Parties are available...call for Sweet Treats w/ BAMA Kids information! October 20 10am - 2pm

Fish Fry from 11am - 1pm

Is there a craft or art you would like to learn? Basket making? Weaving? Quilting? Oil Painting? Raku? Woodworking? Just let us know. We have **hundreds of artists** associated with Black Belt Treasures, **just waiting to share their love of art or heritage craft with you.**

Would you like to see Black Belt Treasures bring Art Classes & Workshops to YOUR school or town?

Our instructors are **ready and eager to take BBT "on the road**" to all nineteen Black Belt counties - just call us to schedule!

Thank you for taking the time to let us share our Black Belt Treasures Happenings with you.

We hope to see you soon!

Sincerely,

Sulynn Creswell Black Belt Treasures



Events and Programming at Black Belt Treasures are made possible through the following partnerships: <u>Alabama State Council on the Arts</u> (ASCA), <u>Black Belt Community Foundation</u> (BBCF), <u>Black Belt</u> <u>Treasures Guild</u>, <u>The Alabama Humanities Foundation</u> (AHF), <u>Alabama Power Charitable Giving</u> <u>Foundation</u>, <u>The Daniel Foundation of Alabama</u>, and donations by generous individuals and corporate friends.

Free BBT Mousepad with \$100 purchase Celebrate Black Belt Treasures every time you use your computer. Our one-of-a-kind mouse pad features Johnna Bush's oil painting "Celebrating our Black Belt Treasures."

This painting was commissioned to tell the story of the cultural heritage of the Black Belt - and has become the official portrait of Black Belt Treasures. Set under moss covered trees, an old country church overlooks a new harvest, while two young children sit on the cool fertile soil



surrounded by five of the Black Belt's most treasured artists: (clockwise from top left) Charlie "Tinman" Lucas, sculptor and folk artist from Dallas County; Kathryn Tucker Windham, author and story-teller from Dallas County; James "Winky" Hicks, musician, artist, and maker of musical instruments from Clarke County; Rennie Miller, quilter and member of the Freedom Quilting Bee of Wilcox County; and Walter Brooks, self-taught white oak basket weaver of Monroe County.

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