

The Ohio State University Faculty Club

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OHIO STATE FACULTY CLUB PLANS 14TH ANNUAL ART AUCTION

The Ohio State University Faculty Club's 14th annual art auction on Friday evening, March 9, will benefit restoration of the club's Mirror Lake Terrace in conjunction with the university's improvements to the attractive, historic area around Mirror Lake.

The art auction will consist of both silent and live auctions. The preview and silent auction will start at 6 p.m. The live auction will begin at 7:30 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres and cash bar will be available. Both auctions will be free to the public and held at the Faculty Club, 181 S. Oval Drive on Ohio State's Columbus campus.

"The club's history has always been that of a gathering place where disciplines cross and knowledge is exchanged," explains Jeff White, executive director of the Faculty Club. "By restoring the club's Mirror Lake Terrace, we will promote this unique outdoor collaborative space within the university's master plan and will enhance the culture of inclusiveness and diversity on our campus."

The plan for the new terrace includes a complete re-surfacing of the current location and features casual seating for small groups with views overlooking both the South Oval and Mirror Lake. It incorporates an elevated fire feature and accent lighting with soft seating for relaxation, self-directed learning and social interaction. "The new design will affirm the club as one of the most beautiful spots on campus," White says.

David G. Terry, a Columbus auctioneer who is licensed and bonded by the State of Ohio, will preside over the sales. A recognized painter and art restorer, he directs his own company, Dave Terry Fine Art Restoration.

Artists and collectors with ties to Ohio State and central Ohio are contributing artworks and collectibles to the live and silent auctions, including paintings, prints, sculpture, ceramics, glass, tribal art and hand-crafted jewelry.

The Faculty Club's handsome sandstone building, completed in 1939, stands along the south rim of the Oval between historic Orton Hall and the William Oxley Thompson Memorial Library. For more than 20 years, the club has hosted an ongoing series of art exhibitions, featuring artists with ties to the university.

The art auction is an opportunity both for community members to contribute items to the auction and for the art collector, new or experienced, to find in one place a rare mix of pieces

from estates, university donors, artists, collectors, and club members – all happening on one relaxed evening.

Terry, who lives in Valleyview, is the art auction committee chair. Serving on the auction committee are: Fred Fochtman of Clintonville; Lisa Craig Morton of Victorian Village; Steve and Karen Sterrett of Clintonville; Sharon Weiss of Columbus; Marion Fisher of Worthington; and White of Lewis Center.

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