

National Gallery of Art CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December 1989

Monday, November 27 DECEMBER Monday, December 4 Monday, December 11 Monday, December 18 Monday, December 25 through through through through through **Sunday, December 24** Sunday, December 3 Sunday, December 10 Sunday, December 17 Sunday, December 31 November 28-December 3 **December 5-December 10** December 12-December 17 **December 19–December 24** December 27-December 31 **COLLECTION HIGHLIGHTS** Joan Miró Gian Paolo di Negroli Antoine Watteau Jean-Baptiste-Armand Lorenzo Monaco Brief gallery talks given by Education Helmet in the Form of a Ceres (Summer) Madonna and Child The Farm Department lecturers on a single work of art. Guillaumin Reproductions of the works discussed may be Grotesque Mask (Samuel H. Kress Collection) The Bridge of Louis Philippe (Samuel H. Kress Collection) (Gift of Mary Hemingway) (Widener Collection) West Building, Gallery 54 (Chester Dale Collection) West Building, Gallery 2 East Building, Upper Level purchased in the Gallery's sales shops; a West Building, West Building, Gallery 88 written text is available without charge. Sally Shelburne, Lecturer **Ground Floor North 9** Christopher With, Lecturer William J. Williams, Lecturer Tuesday through Saturday 12:00 p.m. Eric Denker, Lecturer Sunday 2:00 p.m. (No talks will be given Gail Feigenbaum, Lecturer December 25 and 26) December 27–December 31 November 28-December 3 December 5-December 10 December 12-December 17 December 18-December 22 **SPECIAL TOURS** Frederic Edwin Church Frans Hals Introduction to the West The Formation of the One-hour thematic tours given by Education John Twachtman: Connecticut Landscapes East Building, West Building, Rotunda **Building's Collections** Department lecturers. **Ground Floor Lobby** West Building, Rotunda West Building, Rotunda East Building, Tuesday through Saturday 1:00 p.m. Russell Sale, Lecturer **Ground Floor Lobby** Sunday 2:30 p.m. John Cogswell, Lecturer Philip Leonard, Lecturer **Education Department Staff** Wilford W. Scott, Lecturer (Tours given Monday through (No tours will be given December 25 and 26) Friday only) **FILMS** November 27-December 3 **December 4–December 10** December 11–December 17 December 18-December 24 December 27–December 31 Free films on art and feature films related to Fourteen Americans: Ernst Gombrich: Themes La Villa Santo Sospir (Jean The New York School American Art in the Sixties special exhibitions. Seats are available on a Cocteau, 1952, 48 min.) and **Directions of the 1970s** (Judy Marle, 1989, 46 min.) (Michael Blackwood, 1973, (Michael Blackwood, 1973, first-come, first-served basis. Wed. through Sat. 12:30 Le Sang d'un poète (Jean 55 min.) (Michael Blackwood, 1980, 57 min.) Cocteau, 1932, 51 min.) 89 min.) Wed. through Fri. 12:30 Wed. through Fri. 12:30 East Building Auditorium The Landscapes of Frederic Wed. through Fri. 12:30 Sun. 1:00 Wed. through Fri. 12:30 Edwin Church (National Sun. 1:00 Der Verlorene (Peter Lorre, Gallery of Art, 1989, 27 min.) The Landscapes of Frederic 1951, 98 min.) Mon., Wed. through Fri. 2:00 The Landscapes of Frederic Edwin Church (National Sat. 2:30 Edwin Church (National Sun. 1:00 Edwin Church (National Gallery of Art, 1989, 27 min.) Gallery of Art, 1989, 27 min.) Mon., Wed. through Fri. 2:00 The Landscapes of Frederic Wed. through Fri. 2:30 The Joyless Street Mon., Wed. through Fri. 2:00 Sat. 12:30 Edwin Church (National Sat. 12:30 and 2:00 (G. W. Pabst, 1925, 89 min.) Sat. 12:30 Gallery of Art, 1989, 27 min.) Sat. 2:30 Tiefland (Leni Riefenstahl, Mon., Wed. through Fri. 2:00 1944, 98 min.) Kühle Wampe (Slatan Dudow, Sat. 12:30; Sun. 1:00 Berlin, Symphony of a Great 1932, 75 min., introduced by Sat. 2:30 City (Walter Ruttmann, 1927, Peter Beicken); Sat. 2:30 58 min.) and Kameradschaft The Murderers Are among Us

Berlin, Symphony of a Great City, Walter Ruttman, 1927, to be shown December 3 (Museum of Modern Art/Stills Archive)

SUNDAY LECTURES

Free lectures given by distinguished visiting scholars. No reservations needed but seating is limited.

Problem of American Impressionism

December 31

No Sunday lecture this week





National Gallery's Collections

The Landscapes of Frederic Gallery of Art, 1989, 27 min.)

Sunday 4:00 p.m. East Building Auditorium	Walter Cahn Carnegie Professor of the History of Art, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut	Kathleen Pyne Assistant Professor, Department of Art, Art History, and Design, University of Notre Dame, Indiana	Timothy Verdon Durant Professor, St. Peter's College and Associate Professor of the History of Art, Florida State University Study Center, Florence, Italy		
SUNDAY CONCERTS	December 3	December 10	December 17	December 24	December 31
Free concerts by the National Gallery Orchestra, recitalists, and ensembles. Unreserved seats available from 6:00 p.m. All	Donald Collup, <i>baritone</i> Kenneth Merrill, <i>piano</i> Chamber ensemble	National Gallery Orchestra George Manos, <i>Conductor</i> Beverly Benso, <i>contralto</i>	The Maryland Camerata Samuel Gordon, <i>Conductor</i>	No concert	No concert
concerts are broadcast live by WGMS 570 AM and 103.5 FM Sunday 7:00 p.m. West Building, West Garden Court	Fauré: Chansons, Piano Quartet No. 1	Mahler: Kindertotenlieder; Brahms: Symphony No. 2	Christmas concert with caroling by the audience		Please note that the National Gallery's traditional Viennese Gala concert will take place on Sunday, January 7

Survey Course on Western Art

The Education Department continues its survey course on the history of Western art. This series of lectures, which began on September 18, examines the development of painting and sculpture from the ancient world to the twentieth century. Lectures by Education staff will be held in the East Building Auditorium at 11:15 a.m. on Mondays and 11:00 a.m. on Saturdays. This free program is open to the public but seating is limited.

November 27, December 2	Realism and Impressionism
December 4, 9	Post-Impressionism
December 11, 16	Fauvism, Cubism, Futurism, c. 1900

Gallery Talks

The talks are given by members of the museum staff and by Graduate Lecturing Fellows in the Education Department. All talks begin at 2:00 p.m. Please meet in the West Building Rotunda.

The Three Kings: A Beloved Theme and Variations in Fifteenth-Century Italian Painting **Barbara Baxter** December 2, Saturday December 20, Wednesday

Degas' "Confounded Sculpture" Barbara Baxter December 6, Wednesday December 16, Saturday

The Mystery of Christmas in Flemish and Italian Art Thomas E. A. Dale December 9, Saturday December 13, Wednesday December 30, Saturday

INTRODUCTORY TOURS

Introduction to the **West Building Collections**

Monday through Saturday 3:00 p.m. Sunday 5:30 p.m. West Building, Rotunda (No tour will be given on Sunday, December 24)

Recorded Tours

A recorded tour of the West Building collections, narrated by J. Carter Brown, director, is available at the Ground Floor Sales Area. Also available at the Ground Floor Sales Area are recorded tours of the National Gallery's permanent collection of American painting and French art in the Chester Dale collection.

A recorded tour of *Twentieth-Century* Painting and Sculpture is available in two parts at the East Building publications desk, Concourse Level.

A recorded tour of Frederic Edwin Church is available at the entrance to the exhibition. A recorded tour of Frans Hals is available

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Film Programs

East Building Auditorium

In conjunction with the exhibition of German expressionism, "A Kabinett of German Cinema: 1921-1981" continues on weekends through the end of January. On December 9 at 2:30, Peter Beicken, professor in the German department at the University of Maryland, will introduce Kühle Wampe (1932) by Bertolt Brecht and Slatan Dudow. William K. Everson, professor of cinema studies at New York University, will introduce Luis Trenker's The Prodigal Son on Sunday, December 10, at 6:00. Also included in this series is the East German production The Murderers Are among Us (Wolfgang Staudte, 1946) which will be shown Sunday, December 17, at 6:00.

The Landscapes of Frederic Edwin Church, a new film produced by the National Gallery's Department of Extension Programs, is shown regularly in the auditorium in conjunction with the Church exhibition. Please see the reverse side for dates and times.

Current Exhibition Catalogues

Italian Etchers of the Renaissance and Baroque	<u>\$34.50</u>
Frans Hals	\$35.00
Frederic Edwin Church	\$19.95
John Twachtman: Connecticut Landscapes	\$17.95
Available from the National Gallery Publications Service	

Sales Information (202) 842-6466 (301) 322 - 5900Mail Orders

A wide variety of newly released greeting cards, calendars, exhibition catalogues, and books are available for the holiday season. All merchandise is available in the stores, or by phone: (301) 322-5900.

Introduction to the

East Building Collections

Monday through Friday 11:30 a.m. Saturday 11:00 a.m. Sunday 12:30 p.m. East Building, Ground Floor Lobby

Foreign Language Tours

Regularly scheduled foreign language tours of the West Building are offered on Tuesdays at noon beginning in the Rotunda.

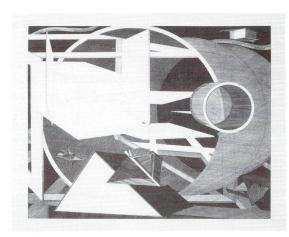
November 28	Italian
December 5	French
December 12	Spanish
December 19	German

The 1980s: Prints from the **Collection of Joshua P. Smith**

West Building, Ground Floor December 17 - April 8, 1990

Forming an international survey of recent printmaking, this exhibition contains more than one hundred prints and illustrated books lent by Joshua P. Smith, a key collector of contemporary art in the United States and considered by many to have one of the most extensive collections of 1980s prints anywhere.

More than ninety American and European artists, including many of the most significant artists working today such as Richard Diebenkorn, Jasper Johns, Alex Katz, Ellsworth Kelly, Howard Hodgkin, and Robert Rauschenberg are represented in the show. In addition, many artists whose work has received increasing attention during the 1980s, such as Jennifer Bartlett, Georg Baselitz, Jonathan Borofsky, Eric Fischl, and Terry Winters, contribute to the exhibition by reflecting major artistic currents of today.



Al Held, Straits of Magellan, 1986, Joshua P. Smith Collection

The exhibition, organized by the National Gallery of Art and appearing only here, is accompanied by a fully illustrated catalogue, published by the Gallery.

CONTINUING EXHIBITIONS



Alexej von Jawlensky, The Red Veil (detail) 1912, Thyssen-Bornemisza Collection

Twentieth-Century Art: Selections for the Tenth Anniversary of the East Building

Through December 31, 1990 East Building

Concourse, Upper Level, and Tower

To celebrate the tenth anniversary of the East Building of the National Gallery of Art in 1988, a series of twenty-five new galleries have been designed and built to accommodate a greatly expanded reinstallation of the twentiethcentury collection, complemented by a number of major loans from private collections. The Upper Level includes art from the beginning of the century to World War II. Fourteen works by David Smith are displayed in the skylit space of the Tower Gallery. Postwar European and American art can be seen on the Concourse Level.

Two publications have been produced by the National Gallery in conjunction with the exhibition. The installation is made possible by a grant from American Express Company.

Expressionism and Modern German Painting from the Thyssen-Bornemisza Collection

East Building, Mezzanine Through January 14, 1990

The National Gallery of Art is the first American venue for the exhibition of modern German paintings from the collection formed by Baron Hans Heinrich Thyssen-Bornemisza. There are thirty-four paintings representing nineteen artists including Ernst Ludwig Kirchner, Wassily Kandinsky, Emil Nolde, Erich Heckel, Otto Dix, and Franz Marc. These colorful works were selected from the Baron's collection of modern and old master paintings, which are now on view at his home, Villa Favorita, in Lugano, Switzerland. Including many recent acquisitions, it is the first exhibition devoted entirely to the expressionist paintings in the collection. Expressionism and Modern German Painting has been organized by the Thyssen-Bornemisza Foundation in collaboration with the National Gallery of Art and the Kimbell Art Museum, Fort Worth. A fully illustrated color catalogue accompanies the exhibition. After its showing at the Gallery, the exhibition will travel to the Kimbell Art Museum in Fort Worth, January 26 to March 25, 1990, and to the California Palace of the Legion of Honor, The Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco, April

18 to July 1, 1990.

John Twachtman: Connecticut Landscapes

Through January 28, 1990 East Building, Ground Floor

Twenty-six paintings, created by John Henry Twachtman between 1889 and 1901 on his farm in Greenwich, Connecticut, and other nearby locations, are on view in the East Building. During his Greenwich period Twachtman chose to explore a single location under various kinds of light, and at different times of the year. His sensitive evocations of time and place made him one of the most respected of all of the American impressionists. The exhibition includes the National Gallery's Winter Harmony, a work that reflects Twachtman's interest in the quiet poetry and delicate colors of winter scenes.

John Twachtman: Connecticut Landscapes is the third in a series of exhibitions of American impressionists at the National Gallery. The series, supported over the last three years by Bell Atlantic, also celebrated the achievements of William Merritt Chase in 1987 and Childe Hassam in 1988. A 120-page, fully illustrated exhibition catalogue published by the National Gallery is available.

Frederic Edwin Church

Through January 28, 1990 East Building, Mezzanine and **Upper Level**

Frederic Edwin Church is a major exhibition of forty-nine of the artist's finest paintings. Considered the preeminent landscape painter of mid-nineteenth-century America, Church was greatly inspired not only by the scenery of America-the Catskills, the Berkshires, Virginia, Vermont, and Maine-but also by the tropics of South America and the exotic landscapes of the Near East. The exhibition, which is being shown only in Washington, presents for the first time as a group Church's famous, large-scale paintings including Niagara, Heart of the Andes, Twilight in the Wilderness, The Icebergs, Cotopaxi, Aurora Borealis, Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives, and the National Gallery's own Morning in the Tropics.

A 216-page, fully illustrated catalogue published by the National Gallery accompanies the exhibition.



Frederic Edwin Church, Syria by the Sea, 1873. The Detroit Institute of Arts, Gift of Mrs. James F. Joy

CLOSING EXHIBITIONS

American Naive Paintings from the National Gallery of Art

Through December 17, 1989 West Building, Central Gallery

More than sixty paintings from the National Gallery's collection of naive American art are on view for the first time in over three years after touring throughout the United States and Europe.

The selection comes from the more than three hundred paintings that were given to the Gallery by Edgar William and Bernice Chrysler Garbisch. In addition to several wellknown anonymous works, the exhibition includes paintings by such important figures as Edward Hicks, Erastus Salisbury Field, William Matthew Prior, and Joshua Johnson



Frans Hals

Through December 31, 1989 West Building, Main Floor Galleries

Frans Hals, an exhibition of one of the great portrait painters in the history of art, features more than sixty paintings and small oil sketches drawn from all phases of the master's remarkable career. This is the first major showing of Hals' work to appear outside the Netherlands. Examples include his earliest known painting, a portrait of Jacobus Zaffius, genre scenes, among them The Merry Drinker, family portraits, his militia portrait of the so-called Meagre Company, and his remarkable late group portraits of the regents and regentesses of the Old Men's Alms House in Haarlem.

The exhibition has been organized by the Royal Academy of Arts, London, in association with the National Gallery of Art and the Frans Halsmuseum in Haarlem, the Netherlands. The Gallery is the first venue for the show and the only one in the United States. A fully illustrated catalogue accompanies the exhibition, which is supported at the National Gallery by a generous grant from Republic National Bank of New York. The exhibition is also supported by an indemnity from the Federal Council on the Arts and the Humanities.

Frans Hals, Catharina Hooft with Her Nurse (detail), c. 1619-1620, Staatliche Museen Preussischer Kulturbesitz, Berlin

NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART Washington, D.C. 20565

GENERAL INFORMATION

GALLERY HOURS

Monday through Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Sunday noon to 9 p.m.

THE GALLERY WILL CLOSE AT 5:00 P.M. ON CHRISTMAS EVE AND NEW YEAR'S EVE AND ALL DAY ON CHRISTMAS DAY AND NEW YEAR'S DAY.

The telephone number for general information is (202) 737-4215.

To change your mailing address for the Calendar of Events, please mail a copy of your new address to the Information Office, National Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C. 20565, taking care to include the mailing label from your last Calendar of Events.

The Gallery is located between 3rd and 7th Streets, N.W., on Constitution Avenue. The East and West Buildings are connected by an all-weather underground passage with a moving walkway. Entrances to the West Building are on the Mall, on 7th Street, on Constitution Avenue at 6th Street, which has a ramp for the handicapped, and off 4th Street. The entrance to the East Building is on 4th Street off National Gallery Plaza and also has a ramp for the handicapped.

RESTAURANTS

Four restaurants offer luncheon and light snacks throughout the year. Hours of operation are:

TERRACE CAFE

Monday-Saturday 11:00 to 2:30 2:30 to 4:00 (dessert service) 12:00 to 4:00 Sunday **CONCOURSE BUFFET** Monday-Saturday 10:00 to 4:00 12:00 to 6:00 Sunday **CASCADE CAFE** Monday-Friday Closed Saturday 11:30 to 2:30 2:30 to 4:30 (dessert service) Sunday 12:00 to 3:30 **GARDEN CAFE** Monday-Saturday 11:00 to 4:00 4:00 to 4:30 (dessert service) Sunday 12:00 to 5:00 5:00 to 7:30 (concert supper)

Cover: William T. Wiley, *Eerie Grotto? Okini*, 1982, Joshua P. Smith Collection