**Calendar of Events** 

December 1992



# **National Gallery of Art**

# **DECEMBER**

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### **1** TUESDAY

10:30 Introductory Slide Overview: The Greek Miracle 12:00 Gallery Talk: Introducing Art: Tempera Painting 12:00 Special Lecture Series: Toward Understanding Greek Classical Art: Time and Place 1:30 Film: Common Threads: Stories from the Quilt

# 2 WEDNESDAY

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### **3** THURSDAY

10:30 Introductory Slide Overview: The Greek Miracle 12:00 Gallery Talk: Small Bronzes in the National Gallery of Art **12:30** Film: *Henry Miller Odyssey:* Paris Calling 1:00 Gallery Talk: "White Curve VIII" by Ellsworth Kelly

### **4** FRIDAY

12:00 Gallery Talk: Introducing Art: Tempera Painting 2:30 Gallery Talk: 20th Century Landscape: Abstraction vs. Representation



David Teniers II, Peasants Celebrating Twelfth Night, dated 1635, National Gallery of Art, Ailsa Mellon Bruce Fund

**8** TUESDAY

The Greek Miracle

Myth and Reality

9 WEDNESDAY

12:00 Film: Socrates

The Greek Miracle

**10** THURSDAY

The Greek Miracle

in Painting and Prose

Paintings

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12:00 Gallery Talk: Ellsworth Kelly:

12:00 Special Lecture Series: Toward

Understanding Greek Classical Art:

12:00 Gallery Talk: Emblemata and

Dutch Art: Rare Books and Dutch

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10:30 Introductory Slide Overview:

12:00 Gallery Talk: Venice Described

The Years in France, 1948–1954

# **5** SATURDAY

12:30 Gallery Talk: Matisse's Synthesis: The Quantity/Quality Equation in the Large Cut-Outs

### **6** SUNDAY

1:00 Film: Henry Miller Odyssey: Paris Calling 2:15 Special Slide Lecture: Visions of Earthly Paradise 4:00 Sunday Lecture: Style and Substance: Interpreting a Mannerist Altarpiece, "The Pala Baciadonne": by Perino del Vaga 6:00 Films: Iphigenia; The Trojan Women 7:00 Concert: National Gallery

Orchestra, George Manos, conductor special guest: U.S. Navy Band Sea Chanters, Celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the first concert at the Gallery

Synthesis: The Quantity/Quality Equation in the Large Cut-Outs 2:00 Teacher Workshop: The Greek *Miracle* (preregistration required) 2:00 Introductory Slide Overview: The Greek Miracle

12:30 Gallery Talk: Matisse's

### **12** SATURDAY

12:00 Film: Socrates

Child in Sienese Art

12:00 Film: Socrates

**11** FRIDAY

2:30 Gallery Talk: The Virgin and

12:00 Gallery Talk: Ellsworth Kelly:

The Years in France, 1948–1952

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## 13 SUNDAY

12:00 Gallery Talk: The Christmas Story in Art 2:00-5:00 Expanded Sunday Program: Stieglitz in the Darkroom 6:00 Film: Mourning Becomes Electra 7:00 Concert: Barry Tuckwell, French horn, Marcantonio Barone, pianist

# 15 TUESDAY

10:30 Introductory Slide Overview: The Greek Miracle 12:00 Gallery Talk: Emblemata and Dutch Art: Rare Books and Dutch Painting

12:00 Special Lecture Series: Toward Understanding Greek Classical Art: Artist, Architects, and Craftsmen

## **16** WEDNESDAY

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#### GALLERY TALKS

Tours and lectures are given by education division lecturers and other National Gallery staff.

Tours of the permanent collection and special exhibitions are available with a sign language interpreter and may be scheduled for groups of five or more with four weeks notice. For adult groups, please call (202) 842–6247; for school groups, (202) 842-6249; or write to Education Division, Tour Scheduling, National Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C. 20565. Please include the type of tour you are requesting, two alternate dates and times, the number in your group, a contact person and his/her address. You will be notified in writing of the status of your request.

"The Greek Miracle" Introductory Slide Overview (30 minutes). Education Division Staff. Meet in the East Building Large Auditorium, Beginning December 1, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:30, Wednesdays, Fridays, Sundays at 2:00 (no talks will be given December 4, 6, 13, 17, and 25).

Introducing Art: Tempera Painting (45 minutes). J. Russell Sale, Lecturer. Meet at the West Building Rotunda, December 1 and 4 at noon.

Ellsworth Kelly: The Years in France, 1948–1954 (60 minutes). Robin Ptacek, Lecturer. Meet in the West Building Rotunda, December 2 at noon.



Riccio, The Entombment of Christ (detail), National Gallery of Art, Samuel H. Kress Collection

Small Bronzes in the National Gallery of Art (30 minutes). Donald Myers, Mellon Assistant Curator, Sculpture Department. Meet in the West Building Rotunda, December 3 at noon.

"White Curve VIII" by Ellsworth Kelly (Gift of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Helman) (20 minutes). Robin Ptacek, Lecturer. Meet at the East Building Art Information Desk, December 3 at 1:00.

20th Century Landscape: Abstraction vs. Representation (45 minutes). Anne Helmreich, Graduate Lecturing Fellow. Meet at the East Building Art Information Desk, December 4, 12, and 18 at 2:30.

Matisse's Synthesis: The *Quantity/Quality Equation in the* Large Cut-Outs (45 minutes). Clarence B. Sheffield, Jr., Graduate Lecturing Fellow. Meet at the East Building Art Information Desk, December 5, 11, and 19 at 12:30.

Emblemata and Dutch Art: Rare Books and Dutch Paintings (45 minutes). Dennis P. Weller, Mellon Assistant Curator, Northern Baroque Painting. Meet at the East Building Art Information Desk, December 9 and 15 at noon

Venice Described in Painting and Prose (60 minutes). Eric Denker, Lecturer. Meet in the West Building Rotunda, December 10 at noon.

The Virgin and Child in Sienese Art (45 minutes). Boreth Ly, Education Division Intern. Meet in the West Building Rotunda, December 10 and 17 at 2:30.

The Christmas Story in Art (60 minutes). Philip L. Leonard. Lecturer. Meet in the West Building Rotunda, December 12, 13, 16, and 22 at noon.

Ellsworth Kelly and His Contemporaries: 1948-1954 (60 minutes). Wilford W. Scott, Lecturer. Meet in the West Building Rotunda, December 19, 20, and 23 at noon.

"Peasants Celebrating Twelfth Night" by David Teniers II (Ailsa Mellon Bruce Fund) (15 minutes). Eric Denker, Lecturer. Meet in the West Building Rotunda, December 29 and 30 at 1:00.

### INTRODUCTORY TOURS

Introduction to the West Building

Monday through Saturday 1:30 and 3:00; Sunday 1:00 and 3:00

Introduction to the East Building Collection Monday through Saturday 11:30 and

1:30; Sunday 2:00 and 4:00 East Building, Art Information Desk

# FOREIGN LANGUAGE TOURS

Foreign language tours of the

December 8: Spanish December 15: German December 22: Italian

# **New Gallery Guide**

The first comprehensive survey of the Gallery's collections, National Gallery of Art, Washington, 328 pages, with 309 color plates, is available in a reasonably priced paperback format. The works of art are illustrated in full color and the texts have been written by Gallery curators. To order the handbook at the special price of \$10.95, please call our mail order office at (301) 322-5900 or visit our bookstores.

#### SUNDAY LECTURES

Lectures are given by distinguished visiting scholars at 4:00 in the East Building Large Auditorium.

The East Building Auditorium is equipped with a frequency modulation system. A sign posted outside the auditorium directs visitors to the East Building Art Information Desk where an FM system and neck loops are available on request.

DECEMBER 6 Style and Substance: Interpreting a Mannerist Altarpiece, "The Pala Baciadonne" by Perino del Vaga Linda Wolk-Simon Assistant Curator Robert Lehman Collection The Metropolitan Museum of Art

DECEMBER 13 Stieglitz in the Darkroom Expanded Sunday Program (see separate listing)

DECEMBER 20 Ellsworth Kelly: The Years in France, 1948-1954 Jack Cowart Deputy Director and Chief Curator The Corcoran Gallery of Art

DECEMBER 27 Film: A Dream of Passion 2:00-5:00East Building Large Auditorium 2:00 In the Eye of Stieglitz's Camera Sue Davidson Lowe Author of Stieglitz: A Memoir/ Biography and Landscape Designer

# Collection West Building Rotunda

permanent collection are offered on Tuesdays. Tours of the West Building are at noon and begin in the Rotunda of the West Building. Tours of the East Building are at 2:00 and begin at the Art Information Desk of the East Building.

December 1: French

Conductor

# **18** FRIDAY

# **19** SATURDAY

20 SUNDAY

and His Contemporaries, 1948-1954

29 TUESDAY The Greek Miracle

piano duo

DECEMBER 6

Stieglitz in the Darkroom December 13, 1992

2:00 Introductory Slide Overview: The Greek Miracle 4:00 Sunday Lecture: Ellsworth Kelly: The Years in France, 1948-1954 **6:00** Films: *Desire under the Elms*;

7:00 Concert: The Maryland Camerata, Samuel Gordon,

# 22 TUESDAY

Medea

Story in Art

10:30 Introductory Slide Overview: The Greek Miracle 12:00 Gallery Talk: The Christmas

## 23 WEDNESDAY

12:00 Gallery Talk: Ellsworth Kelly and His Contemporaries, 1948-1954 2:00 Introductory Slide Overview: The Greek Miracle

#### 24 THURSDAY 10:30 Introductory Slide Overview:

The Greek Miracle

#### 25 FRIDAY The National Gallery is closed on

Christmas Day

**26** SATURDAY 2:00 Films: Medea; The Girl in Black

### 27 SUNDAY

2:00 Introductory Slide Overview: The Greek Miracle 4:00, 6:00 Film: A Dream of Passion 7:00 Concert: Hecht and Shapiro,

10:30 Introductory Slide Overview:

## SUNDAY CONCERTS

Concerts take place at 7:00 every Sunday evening through June 27, 1993, in the West Garden Court of the West Building. Admission to the National Gallery and its concerts is always free. Concertgoers are admitted to the West Garden Court on a first-come, first-served basis beginning at 6:00 p.m. Because the rest of the Gallery closes at 6:00 on Sunday evenings, concertgoers arriving after that time may use only the 6th Street and Constitution Avenue entrance to the West Building. Each concert will be broadcast four weeks after its live performance on radio station WGTS 91.9-FM every Sunday evening at 7:00. For further information about the concerts call (202) 842-6941.

National Gallery Orchestra George Manos, Conductor

#### 1:00 Gallery Talk: "Peasants Celebrating Twelfth Night" by David Teniers II

### **30** wednesday

12:00 Film: Superstar: The Life and Times of Andy Warhol 1:00 Gallery Talk: "Peasants Celebrating Twelfth Night" by David Teniers II 2:00 Introductory Slide Overview: The Greek Miracle

### **31** THURSDAY

10:30 Introductory Slide Overview: The Greek Miracle 12:00 Film: Superstar: The Life and Times of Andy Warhol



Statue of Athena, shortly after 480 B.C., Acropolis Museum, Athens

# **Self-Guided Tours** for Families on the **Permanent Collection**

Portraits & Personalities This new booklet guides families with children ages eight to ten on an interactive exploration of seven famous portraits including David's painting Napoleon in His Study and two marble busts of Voltaire by Houdon, asking questions and revealing interesting points along the way. Portraits & Personalities, which includes activities to be done at home. is made possible by a grant from the Vira I. Heinz Endowment. Approximate tour time is 45 minutes Available free of charge at the West Building main floor Art Information Room and the 4th Street Information Desk

#### Shapes & Patterns

For families with children ages four to eight, Shapes & Patterns focuses on aspects of the East Building's art and architecture of particular interest to younger visitors. A question-andanswer-style narrative helps pick out special features of Alexander Calder's gigantic mobile, Untitled, Scott Burton's Rock Settees (the only art in the National Gallery's collection that is okay to touch!), and other art while simple exercises make it easy to discover the geometry in the surrounding structure. Shapes & Patterns is made possible by a grant from the Vira I. Heinz Endowment. Approximate tour time is 45 minutes. Available free of charge at the East Building Art Information Desk.

# **Public Symposium**

Bronzes and Marbles of Classical Greece

Saturday, January 9, 1993 11:00 to 4:00 East Building Auditorium

Moderator: Diana Buitron-Oliver **Guest Curator** 

Classical Sculpture: Traditions in Marble; Innovations in Bronze; and Developments in Style and Technique Carol Mattusch Professor of Art History George Mason University

Greek Bronze Statuettes in the Second Quarter of the Fifth Century B.C. Sophie Descamps Curator of Classical Antiquities Musée du Louvre

#### INTERMISSION

Classical Greek Nudity and the Rhetoric of Praise Andrew Stewart Professor of Art History University of California, Berkeley

The Concept of Beauty in Classical Reliefs Mary Sturgeon Professor of Art History

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

The Acropolis of Athens: A Political, Religious, and Artistic Center Peter G. Calligas Director of the Acropolis, Athens

#### U.S. Navy Band Sea Chanters, Guest Ensemble. Celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the first concert at the National Gallery (December 6, 1942) Works by Vaughan Williams, Holst, and Haydn

DECEMBER 13 Barry Tuckwell, French Horn Marcantonio Barone, pianist Works by Koechlin, Saint-Saëns, Poulenc, Dukas, R. Strauss, and Hindemith

**DECEMBER 20** The Maryland Camerata Samuel Gordon, Conductor Christmas concert

DECEMBER 27 Hecht and Shapiro, piano duo Works by Mozart, Schumann, Schubert, and Poulenc

# **Special Sunday Program**

Stieglitz's Photographic Prints: Technique and Conservation Constance McCabe Consulting Photograph Conservator National Gallery of Art INTERMISSION

Stieglitz's Laboratory Sarah Greenough Curator of Photographs National Gallery of Art

# **Self-Guided Tours** for Adults

"I am Still Learning," Late Works by Masters focuses on the works of such artists as Giovanni Bellini, Titian, El Greco, Rembrandt, Winslow Homer, Claude Monet, Paul Cézanne. Henri Matisse, and others who pursued their art in their seventies or eighties with no loss of creativity or inspiration. The illustrated brochure discusses certain shared characteristics among them, collectively known as the "Altersstil" (late style), and in some instances cites examples of earlier works by those artists for comparison. The guide is available free of charge in the Art Information Room on the main floor of the West Building

The year 1992 marks the 500th anniversary of the death of Lorenzo de' Medici (1449-1492), one of the st celebrated patrons and collect of all time. In his honor, the Gallery has published a booklet, The Age of Lorenzo de' Medici, that takes the visitor on a walking tour of works of art created in Renaissance Florence. In is available for \$2.00 in the West Building Sales Shop, at the Rotunda Acoustiguide desk, and in the Renaissance galleries.

# **Computer Imaging** Video

In marking the 500th anniversary of the death of Piero della Francesca (c. 1410/1420-1492) researchers at Princeton University have developed computer software to visualize the cycle of frescoes, The Legend of the True Cross, painted by this Renaissance master in the Church of San Francesco in Arezzo, Italy. The interactive program uses a space ball, a version of a mouse able to simulate three dimensions, to move the viewer's line of sight through the space on the screen, allowing it free movement in any direction (turning, floating, descending). A fifteen-minute video presenting the utilization and potential art historical value of this equipment will be shown continuously in the East Building, Small Auditorium, December 4 and 5, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

# **Special Program**

East Building Auditorium, 2:15

In conjunction with the Washington Opera, the education division of the National Gallery of Art will present the second of two illustrated lectures on the interrelationship of music, literature, and the visual arts through the ages. Reservations are not necessary but seating may be limited.

DECEMBER 6 Visions of Earthly Paradise Eric Denker, Lecturer

### 4:00

# **National Gallery of Art**

## **Film Programs**

### East Building Auditorium

The series "Greek Tragedy from Stage to Screen" continues on weekends in December in conjunction with The Greek Miracle. The Oresteia of Aeschylus, directed and produced by Peter Hall in 1983 for the National Theatre of Great Britain and recorded on video, will be shown in its entirety on Saturday, December 12 at 2:00. Three filmed tragedies by Greek director Michael Cacoyannis-Iphigenia, The Trojan Women, and Electra—are also included in this series, which concludes on December 27 with ADream of Passion, a modern adaptation of the Medea myth. The series was organized in association with Martin Winkler, George Mason University. Also, in conjunction with The Greek Miracle, Roberto Rossellini's historical drama Socrates will be shown on December 9, 10, and 11.

A special showing of Common Threads: Stories from the Quilt will take place on December 1 at 1:30 p.m.

The East Building Auditorium is equipped with a frequency modulation system. A sign posted outside the auditorium directs visitors to the East Building Art Information Desk where an FM system and neck loops are available on request.

Henry Miller Odyssey: Paris Calling (Robert Snyder, 1969, 50 minutes); December 2 and 3 at 12:30, December 6 at 1:00.

Iphigenia (Michael Cacoyannis, from the Euripides drama, 1976, 130 minutes) and The Trojan Women (Michael Cacoyannis, from the Euripides drama, 1971, 105 minutes); December 6 at 6:00.

# **Recorded Tours**

Audio tours are \$3.50 and \$3.00 for senior citizens, students, and groups of ten or more. Special headsets and scripts are available for visitors who are hard-of-hearing. To reserve recorded tours for groups, call (202) 842-6592.

#### **Permanent** Collection

The Director's Tour, narrated by Earl A. Powell III, discusses fifteenth through late nineteenth-century masterpieces and includes some of the Gallery's best-loved paintings.

Impressionist and Post-Impressionist Paintings, narrated by former curator of modern painting Charles Moffett, features the works of Monet, Renoir, Van Gogh, Cézanne, and other masters from the Gallery's outstanding collection of nineteenthcentury French paintings.



Iphigenia, directed by Michael Cacoyannis, 1976 (The Museum of Modern Art/Film Still Archive)

Socrates (Roberto Rossellini, 1970, 115 minutes); December 9 through 11 at 12:00.

The Oresteia (from the plays of Aeschylus, National Theatre of Great Britain, 1983, video, 230 minutes, with intermissions); December 12 at 2:00.

Mourning Becomes Electra (Dudley Nichols, from the Eugene O'Neill play, 1947, 170 minutes); December 13 at 6:00.

Lord Elgin and Some Stones of No Value (Christopher Miles for Channel Four Television, London, video, 1985, 58 minutes); December 16 through 19 at 12:30, December 20 at 1:00.

Electra (Michael Cacovannis, from the Euripides drama, 1961, 110 minutes) and Phaedra (Jules Dassin, 1961, 115 minutes); December 19 at 2:00.

discusses a number of gifts acquired during the National Gallery's fiftieth anniversary year as well as works of Pablo Picasso, Jackson Pollock, Jasper Johns, and many other masters of contemporary art.

The first three tapes may be rented in the Rotunda on the main floor of the West Building. The Twentieth-Century Art tour is available on the concourse level East Building, adjacent to the Post World War II galleries and also on the upper level.

**Special Exhibitions** Art of the American Indian Frontier: The Collecting of Chandler and Pohrt narrated by David W Pen

Desire under the Elms (Delbert Mann, from the Eugene O'Neill play, 1958, 114 minutes) and Medea (Robert Whitehead, from the Robinson Jeffers stage adaptation, video, 1982, 90 minutes); December 20 at 6:00.

Medea (Pier Paolo Pasolini, 1970, 100 minutes) and The Girl in Black (Michael Cacovannis, 1955, 93 minutes); December 26 at 2:00.

A Dream of Passion (Jules Dassin, adapted from Medea, 1978, 110 minutes); December 27 at 4:00 and 6:00.

Superstar: The Life and Times of Andy Warhol (Chuck Workman, 1991, 87 minutes); December 30 and 31, January 2 at 12:00.

# **Holiday Caroling** and Tours

The National Gallery invites members of the public for holiday caroling in the Rotunda of the West Building at 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. December 12 and 13. On these days and throughout the month of December, the Terrace and Garden Cafés and Cascade Espresso Bar will offer special holiday beverages, cookies, and other refreshments. Visitors may also take a self-guided holiday tour. A booklet for adults and one for families with children, both with a walking map, are available in the Art Information Room on the main floor of the West Building. For a listing of holiday gallery talks, see the daily events schedule on reverse.



# **CONTINUING EXHIBITION**

# The Greek Miracle: Classical Sculpture from the Dawn of Democracy, The Fifth Century B.C.

through February 7, 1993 East Building, Upper Level and Mezzanine

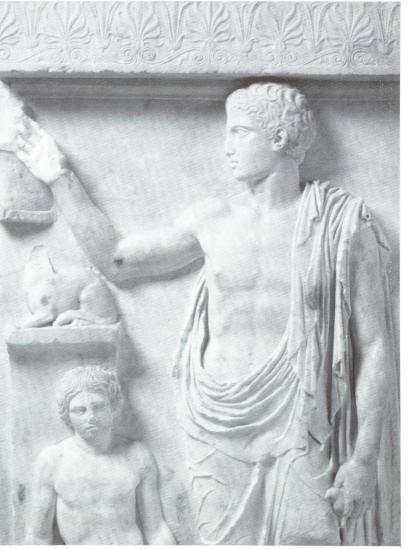
The National Gallery launches the 2,500th anniversary of the birth of democracy with this unprecedented exhibition of some of the finest examples of original sculpture that survive from fifth-century B.C. Greece, created during the golden age that brought forth a new tradition of art and government still in practice today. Thirty-four marbles and bronzes represent the great sculptural innovations and achievements in the depiction of what has been considered the ideal or classical image of the human figure. The Kritios Boy, Contemplative Athena, Cavalry from the Parthenon Frieze, and Nike (Victory) Unbinding Her Sandal are among the icons of fifth-century sculpture on view. The exhibition is organized by the National Gallery of Art in collaboration with The Metropolitan Museum of Art and the Ministry of Culture of the Government of Greece. The exhibition is made possible by Philip Morris Companies Inc.

The Greek Miracle includes twenty-two pieces from Greece, most of which have never left their native soil, and twelve more from Europe's leading museums and The Metropolitan Museum of Art.

The works were selected by guest curator Diana Buitron-Oliver, a well-known and widely published scholar of Greek and Roman art and archaeology who teaches at Georgetown University in Washington. The Greek coordinator for the exhibition is Katerina Romiopoulou, director of antiquities, Ministry of Culture of the Government of Greece. Carlos A. Picón, curator-in-charge of the department of Greek and Roman art at The Metropolitan Museum of Art, is coordinating the exhibition in New York, where it will be seen March 11 through May 23, 1993.

A fully illustrated catalogue includes object entries by Buitron-Oliver, essays by distinguished international scholars, and an introduction by Nicholas Gage, Greek-born writer and former Athens correspondent for the New York Times. Narrated by actor Christopher

**Special Lecture** Series



The Cat Stele, 420-410 B.C., National Archaeological Museum, Athens

Plummer, an audio-visual presentation in a theater adjacent to the exhibition space introduces visitors to the glories of fifth-century B.C. Greece. Assistive listening devices are available on request at the recorded tour desk.

Support for the audiovisual presentation is provided by Stavros S. Niarchos

For the first time in its history, the National Gallery has installed interactive computer stations to assist the public in the interpretation of an exhibition. Perseus, a powerful research tool for the study of ancient Greece developed by Harvard University, has been specially adapted for public use in conjunction with the exhibition. Funding for the Perseus installation was provided by The Circle of the National Gallery of Art.

# **Teacher Workshop** The Greek Miracle



A recorded tour, introduced by

Earl A. Powell III, director, National Gallery of Art, and narrated by J. Carter Brown, director emeritus. can be rented at the entrance to the exhibition. Special headsets and scripts are available for visitors who are hard-of-hearing. An exhibition

> Pass system. The Gallery has instituted a pass system for the exhibition. Advance passes can be obtained free of charge at the Gallery's East Building. Passes can also be obtained at all Ticketmaster locations and Hecht Co. stores for a service charge of \$2.00 per pass. Through Ticketmaster PhoneCharge there is a \$3.00 service fee per pass and a \$1.00 handling fee per order. For this service call one of the following numbers:

brochure is available free of charge

#### Washington, DC (202) 432-SEAT

Baltimore, MD (410) 481-SEAT

American Art, narrated by Nicolai Cikovsky, curator of American and British painting, features works by Copley, Stuart, Cole, Homer, Eakins, Whistler, Bellows, and other masters from the Gallery's preeminent collection of American painting.

Twentieth-Century Art, narrated by assistant curator of twentiethcentury art, Marla Prather and associate curator, Jeremy Strick,

and George P. Horse Capture, cocurators of the exhibition, outlines American Indian art of the Eastern Woodlands and the Great Plains. Tapes may be rented at the entrance to the exhibition, East Building upper level.

> The Greek Miracle: Classical Sculpture from the Dawn of Democracy, The Fifth Century B.C., introduced by Earl A. Powell III, director, National Gallery of Art, and narrated by J. Carter Brown, director emeritus, is available at the entrance to the exhibition, East Building, mezzanine level.

The Rotunda of the West Building of the National Gallery of Art, decorated with poinsettas

Toward Understanding Greek Classical Art

Tuesdays at noon East Building Auditorium William L. MacDonald Former Professor of the History of Art, Smith College

DECEMBER 1 Time and Place

DECEMBER 8 Myth and Reality

#### DECEMBER 15

Artists, Architects, and Craftsmen

Saturday, December 12, 9:00-1:30 and repeated from 2:00-6:00

A workshop for teachers on the special exhibition The Greek Miracle: Classical Sculpture from the Dawn of Democracy, The Fifth Century B.C. will provide an overview of the arts in Greece during the fifth century B.C. and discuss classroom applications. Open to teachers in all disciplines and grade levels for a nominal fee. Advance registration is required since seating is limited: call (202) 842-6796.

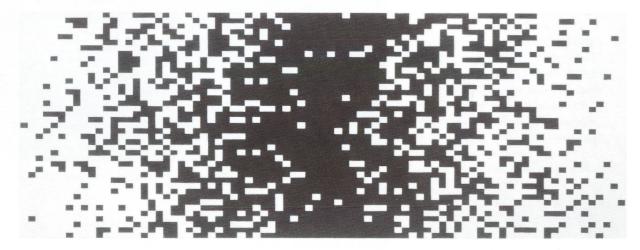
Nationwide toll-free (800) 551-SEAT

There is a limited number of sameday passes available free of charge in the East Building at 4th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W. The passes will be distributed each day on a first-come, first-served basis at the Gallery between 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on weekdays and Saturdays, between 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on Sundays. For more information on passes, call (202) 842-6684.

# **CONTINUING EXHIBITIONS**

### Ellsworth Kelly: The Years in France, 1948–1954

through January 24, 1993 West Building, Ground Floor, Outer Tier



This exhibition of approximately fifty rarely seen paintings and reliefs, sixty-four drawings and collages, and twenty-eight photographs is the first to be devoted to the body of art created by leading abstract artist Ellsworth Kelly during his developmental years in France. The works trace Kelly's dramatic shift from figurative art to his distinctive invention of multicolored panel paintings, the latter his primary and lasting contribution to contemporary abstract art of the last four decades.

Kelly filled sketchbooks with hundreds of vignettes of Paris, such as patterns of sidewalk repairs, the chance arrangement of posters in the Metro subway, and gridlike traces left on the walls of buildings after attached floors, walls, and ceilings were pulled down. The exhibition includes a group of important works from 1950 based on everyday objects, including *Cutout in Wood*, *White Relief, Relief with Blue*, and *La Combe II*, inspired by the patterns created by shadows on a staircase. Also on view are Kelly's grid and checkerboard compositions *Cité* and *Meschers* of 1951, which were developed from collages of drawings that he cut up and randomly rearranged.

Kelly's move away from the checkerboard and grid compositions to multicolored panel paintings in 1952–1953 is revealed in the works *Red Yellow Blue White, Painting for a White Wall, Train Landscape,* and *Tiger.* 

Co-curated by Jack Cowart,

# Series and Sequences: Contemporary Drawings and Prints

through March 14, 1993 West Building, Central Gallery

This selection celebrating many recent acquisitions includes an exciting array of unbound portfolios and series of works in groupings that are rarely exhibited as the complete sets the artists created.

The 123 drawings and prints by twelve artists represent a wide range of subjects and styles. Among figurative works are David Hockney's twenty etchings entitled *The Blue Guitar*, which colorfully pay tribute to a poem by Wallace Stevens that was in turn inspired by a Picasso painting. Alex Katz' four *Polka Dot Blouse* prints feature lively portraits of his wife from different angles printed in a combination of screenprinting and lithography. Abstract minimalist prints include Josef Albers' twelve "homage to the square" screenprints, *Gray Instrumentation II*; twelve etchings, *Pages*, by Robert Mangold; and Jürgen Partenheimer's *Book of Wanderings*, one of only two variant sets of these etchings the artist completed.

Other highlights of the exhibition include a virtually unknown group of twenty-one self-portraits by Sam Francis; Nancy Graves' *Lunar Orbiter Series*, based on diagrams and photographs of the moon's surface; a group of sensuous chalk drawings and watercolors by Edda Renouf; lithographs by Jasper Johns; screenprints by Sol LeWitt; etchings by Tony Cragg; and woodcuts by Mimmo Paladino.



Ellsworth Kelly, Seine, 1951, Collection of

formerly National Gallery of Art

curator of twentieth-century art, and

Ellsworth Kelly: The Years in France,

1948-1954 premiered at the Jeu de

Paume in Paris and then traveled to

the Westfälisches Landesmuseum in

Washington. A full color catalogue

has been published, which docu-

ments this important period and

Pulitzer professor of fine arts at

Harvard University, as well as

Cowart and Pacquement.

contains essays by Yve-Alain Bois,

Alfred Pacquement, of the Galerie

nationale du Jeu de Paume,

Münster, before opening in

Alex Katz, *Polka Dot Blouse II*, 1979, National Gallery of Art, Gift of Mrs. Robert A. Hauslohner

The exhibition was organized by Ruth Fine, curator of modern prints and drawings, National Gallery of Art, with the help of assistant curator Charles Ritchie.

# **CONTINUING EXHIBITIONS**

# Stieglitz in the Darkroom

through February 14, 1993 East Building, Ground Floor

The art of photographic technique is demonstrated in this exhibition of seventy-five prints by the preeminent American photographer Alfred Stieglitz. By showing different kinds of prints made from the same negative, the exhibition examines how photographic prints look, how they differ from one another, and how the artist controlled and changed his statements through cropping, scale, tone, and paper selection. Stieglitz continued throughout his working life to make prints with a perfectionist's zeal, often producing more than a hundred prints before achieving one that satisfied him.

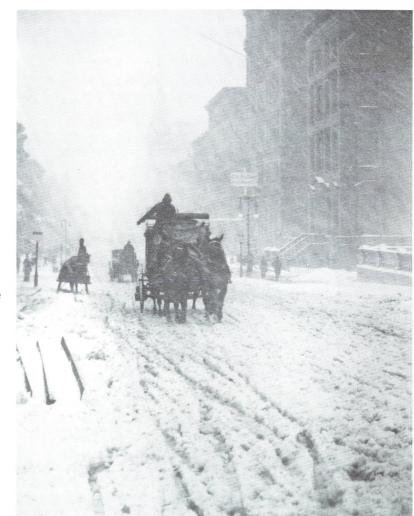
Works in the exhibition span Stieglitz's career, beginning with photographs taken in Europe in the late 1880s and continuing with portraits of Georgia O'Keeffe, including several that have not been exhibited in more than sixty years. Stieglitz was the first to take successful photographs during a snowstorm, including Winter-Fifth Avenue, which is shown in five variations. The following year, he made photographs in the rain, and in 1896 he created some of the first night images. Such landmark works as the 1915 photogravure print of The Steerage is also on view, along with an extremely rare gelatin silver print of this same image.

All of the prints in the exhibition in are drawn from the key set of T Stieglitz's photographs given to the National Gallery by Georgia O'Keeffe in 1949 and 1980. The works were selected by National Gallery curator of photographs Sarah Greenough,

# Art of the American Indian Frontier: The Collecting of Chandler and Pohrt

through January 24, 1993 East Building, Upper Level, North Bridge

The dramatic and dynamic character of objects produced by Woodland and Plains Indians in the nineteenth century is revealed in this exhibition of 152 of the most important works from the unparalleled Chandler-Pohrt collection of American Indian art. Featured in Art of the American Indian Frontier is a wide range of decorative, utilitarian, and ceremonial objects, including feather headdresses; moccasins; leather and textiles; beadwork; domestic items



Alfred Stieglitz, *Winter—Fifth Avenue*, 1893, National Gallery of Art, Alfred Stieglitz Collection

who is author of the accompanying brochure. Constance McCabe and Nora Kennedy, National Gallery consulting conservators, also contributed to the brochure, along with Julia Thompson, exhibition assistant in the department of photographs. The brochure is made possible by The Arcadia Foundation with additional funding from The Circle of the National Gallery of Art. The exhibition will not travel.

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# **CLOSING EXHIBITION**

# **Special Display of Dutch Emblem Books**

through December 31, 1992 East Building Library, Ground Floor

A fascinating exhibition of seventeenth-century Dutch emblem books from the Gallery's rare book collection is on display. Organized by Arthur Wheelock, curator of northern baroque painting, and his graduate students at the University of Maryland, the exhibition examines

the character of Dutch emblems and the types of relationships that exist between emblematic images and various Dutch paintings from the National Gallery's collection. Many of the 42 books displayed were recently acquired by the Gallery as part of a large collection of Dutch books. The exhibition, open to the public between 10:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. weekdays, continues through this month. To view the books, visitors should register at the Study Center security desk for access to the Library. A free brochure is available. such as cradles, trunks, bowls, and spoons; pipes; weaponry; and pictographic engravings and drawings.

The Chandler-Pohrt collection of more than four thousand objects was assembled by Milford G. Chandler (1889–1981) and Richard A. Pohrt (b. 1911). Their commitment and knowledge have stemmed from their associations with American Indians. Chandler established close relationships with families among the Potawatomi, Mesquakie, and Miami communities of the Midwest, while Pohrt formed attachments to the Gros

Buffalo Bill Historical Center, Cody. Wyoming.

Gros Ventre tribe and former curator

for the Plains Indian Museum at the

Ventre of Fort Belknap, Montana.

formation of the Chandler-Pohrt

collection accompanies the

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David W. Penney, of the Detroit

Institute of Arts, and George P.

Horse Capture, a member of the

A seventeen-minute video on the

exhibition. Assistive listening devices

Co-curators of the exhibition are

The exhibition was organized by the Detroit Institute of Arts in association with the National Gallery

of Art and the Buffalo Bill Historical Center, Cody, Wyoming with support from the National Endowment for the Humanities, the city of Detroit, the state of Michigan, and the Founders Society Detroit Institute of Arts. After closing at the Gallery, the exhibition will travel to the Seattle Art Museum (March 11–May 9, 1993), the Buffalo Bill Historical Center (June 18–

South Dakota (?), *Sioux Cut Feather Bonnet* with Trailer, c. 1860, Buffalo Bill Historical Center, Cody, Wyoming, Chandler-Pohrt Collection, Cift of Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Pohrt

September 12, 1993), and the Detroit Institute of Arts (October 17, 1993–February 6, 1994).

#### NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART Washington, D.C. 20565

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

The National Gallery of Art and its collections belong to the people of the United States of America. European and American paintings, sculpture, decorative arts, and works on paper are displayed in the permanent collection galleries, and temporary exhibitions of art from countries and cultures throughout the world are presented on a regular basis. Admission is free at all times.

#### HOURS

Monday through Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Sunday 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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December 26 and January 2-10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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#### RESTAURANTS

Four restaurants offer luncheon and light fare throughout the year. The Garden Café offers a Sunday evening meal for concertgoers. Hours of operation are:

#### **SPECIAL HOURS:**

All restaurants will be open until 6:30 p.m. December 26 and January 2.

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