

## Exciting events and exhibits happening this fall at the Jule Collins Smith Museum of Fine Art

The Jule Collins Smith Museum of Fine Art is a great place to attend events as well as visit fantastic art exhibitions. Located just off South College Street the museum is easily accessible to anyone in the Auburn/Opelika area. This fall all kinds of events and celebrations going on at the museum and everyone is always invited to attend.

Colleen Bourdeau, the marketing and events manager of the museum said, “We have some really exciting exhibits this fall.” Two of the current exhibitions at the Jule Collins Smith Museum of Fine Art are Visions of Victory and The Indian Gallery of Henry Inman.

Located in the Harbert Gallery and Gallery C is Visions of Victory. This exhibit opened on September 13 and will continue through November 29. This exhibit features images of iconic sports photography from the past 100 years. Images taken by William Henry Jackson, Annie Leibovitz and David Burnett will be on display to name a few of the industries finest. Showing all through football season, fans of all sports alike should check out this exhibit.

The Indian Gallery of Henry Inman is located in the Chi Omega Gallery. This exhibit will feature 13 oil paintings with an emphasis on Southeastern Creek and Cherokee leaders. The portraits are of warriors of the early 19th century. This exhibited opened August 16 and will last until November 8.

The Jule Collins Smith Museum of Fine Art is a great place to attend events. Every Thursday they feature “A Little Lunch Music” from noon to 1 p.m. Local artists play music in the museum lobby while guests dine on exquisite food at the café. On their website, a full menu can be viewed by week. On Sunday, September 28, the Auburn Community Orchestra will play from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. This event is free but tickets must be reserved through the Jan Dempsey Center. These are just a few of the fun and free events being offered at the museum this fall.

Without a doubt, the most exciting event happening at the Jule Collins Museum is the birthday party they are throwing. “We are celebrating our fifth year of serving the auburn community and we have a fabulous birthday celebration on October 5,” said Bourdeau. This event is free and will last from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. There will be live music as well as art activities. Aubie and Miss. Auburn will be in attendance. Bourdeau said this would definitely be a family friendly event and anyone and everyone is encouraged to come celebrate. They will also be serving birthday cake in honor of the celebration.

The museum is open Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Admission is free for Auburn University students, faculty and staff with an Auburn University identification card. However some special events may have a cost but that will always be noted in advance on their website. Whatever your taste in music, arts or food the Jule Collins Smith Museum of Art has something to offer everyone. More information about the museum can be found on their website at: <http://jcsm.auburn.edu/index.php>.