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**“East Tennessee Art & Artists: Selections from the  
East Tennessee History Center”  
New Feature Exhibition at the Museum of East Tennessee History**

EXHIBITION: *East Tennessee Art & Artists:  
Selections from the East  
Tennessee History Center*

DATE: March 19—June 24, 2012

LOCATION: East Tennessee History Center  
601 South Gay Street  
Knoxville, TN 37902



The East Tennessee Historical Society has recently unveiled a special exhibition of original works, showcasing the beauty and history of East Tennessee from the perspective of the region's artists. Entitled, "East Tennessee Art and Artists: Selections from the East Tennessee History Center," the exhibition is on display at the Museum of East Tennessee History through June 24, 2012.

For several decades, the East Tennessee Historical Society and the Calvin M. McClung Historical Collection of the Knox County Public Library have actively collected and preserved important pieces of art made in East Tennessee or created by East Tennesseans. Beyond their aesthetic qualities, these works often yield important clues to the region's past, providing images of historic people, places, and events.

The exhibition features more than 85 original paintings or sculptures spanning from the region's earliest artists to examples of modern folk art. Visitors will enjoy historical portraits, breathtaking landscapes, historic East Tennessee scenes, sculptures, and handcrafts.

"East Tennessee Art and Artists: Selections from the East Tennessee History Center" is on display in the Rogers/Claussen Gallery of the Museum of East Tennessee History. Hours are Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sunday 1-5 p.m. Sundays are always Family Day at the Museum with free admission for everyone. The exhibition is shown through a partnership with the East Tennessee Historical Society, Dogwood Arts Festival, and the Knox County Public Library.

The Museum of East Tennessee History is operated by the East Tennessee Historical Society and is located in the East Tennessee History Center at 601 South Gay Street in downtown Knoxville across from the Tennessee Theatre. For more information about this exhibit or to schedule an interview or site visit, please contact Cherel Henderson at either 865-215-8823 or 865-335-0888 or by e-mail at [cherel@eastTNhistory.org](mailto:cherel@eastTNhistory.org).

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