

## **Calling All Fine Art Devotees! STMA Wants You!**

The Steffen Thomas Museum of Art is offering a new Docent Training Course, which began on Tuesday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, 10 AM to noon, at the museum. STMA museum docents are community members who serve on a volunteer basis providing tours of the museum's permanent collection and special temporary exhibits to visiting groups of all ages, including civic clubs, social and church groups and school classes, as well as to individual visitors.

Our docents meet once a month to discuss the history of fine art along with new developments in the field, the work of Steffen Thomas, and the highlights of the museum's special exhibits. They also take occasional field trips to other museums, cultural institutions, art galleries and private collections.

Participation in the Docent Program does require some commitment of time and energy, but it is tremendously rewarding. The six active, trained docents who currently work with the museum are a diverse, interesting and talented group of individuals who enjoy a strong cultural and social bond. Enthusiastic, well-informed supporters of the arts, they have in common a desire to share their knowledge and additional interests with others. The training sessions will offer future docents the opportunity to learn a great deal about art and teaching techniques, meet curators and other museum staff, and become familiar with the full workings of the museum.

The course is a series of two-hour classes scheduled once a month through late January 2009. Participants will be assigned an experienced docent as a mentor.

To sign up for the program, please call Lisa Conner or Pamala Tomany at 706-342-7557 by Friday, September 12<sup>th</sup>. The Steffen Thomas Museum of Art is located at 4200 Bethany Road in Buckhead. It is open to the public Tuesday through Saturday from 11 AM to 4 PM. For more details and directions, please call 706-342-7557 or visit [HYPERLINK "http://www.steffenthomas.org"](http://www.steffenthomas.org)