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STMA Arts Outreach Family Workshop Features Basket Weaving with a Unique “Twist”

BUCKHEAD – Basket weaving, one of the world’s oldest and most popular crafts, traditionally uses reed and cane for the basket’s construction. But at the next STMA Arts Outreach Family Workshop, *Basket Weaving with a “Twist,”* scheduled for Saturday, January 22 from 10 AM to noon, you can learn how to make one using yarn, fiber strips and ribbon. The baskets can then be embellished with a variety of decorative items including beads, buttons and shells.

According to workshop instructor, Toni Carlucci, “This technique is great fun for people of all ages, especially kids. It’s a wonderfully simple, colorful and rewarding project.” The baskets will be round in shape with a handle. “They’re sturdy enough to carry a number of items, and make for lovely centerpieces and Easter baskets,” Toni added.

Professional artist and teacher, Toni holds a Masters Degree in fabric design and weaving from the University of Georgia. She teaches at the Linden House Art Center in Athens and works on outreach programs for the Georgia Museum of Art. Her expertise includes painting, felt making and fabric related projects.

Admission for the STMA workshop is \$10 adults, \$8 children; STMA members receive a \$2 discount. Those in financial need may attend free of charge. Registration is required. Please call 706-342-7557.

The Steffen Thomas Museum of Art, located at 4200 Bethany Road, Buckhead 30625, is open Tuesday through Saturday from 11 AM to 4 PM. For more information and directions, please visit www.steffenthomas.org or call the number listed above.

Future STMA workshops include:

February 12th: *Let the Sun Shine In* – Brighten the long winter days by creating portraits of glorious sunflowers. Taught by Greensboro artist, illustrator and teacher, Julie Noland.

March 19th: *Get Creative with “Sing Along” Collage* – Everyone has a favorite song. Celebrate your special tune by making it the theme for a handsome collage. Taught by local painting and collage artist and teacher, Susan Pelham.