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One day only, Dec. 8

## Art for any budget

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On the evening of Dec. 8, Philosophy Gallery at 333 N. Ninth St. will be rocking!

The reason? The third annual Affordable Art sale sponsored by Paducah Renaissance Alliance. Coordinator Nikki May predicts the same huge turnout that the event has experienced since its inception two years ago.

There was some concern in the beginning.

“Some people thought we were cheapening art,” May explained. “But we wanted to make the point that art is accessible and no matter what your income is, there’s something you can buy.”

So how affordable is “affordable art”? Some pieces in the show will be sold for as little as \$25. Slightly higher are prints by Lower Town artist Freda Fairchild, an exceptional buy considering Fairchild’s identity and reputation in the arts com-



munity.

You can expect to pay more, of course, in some cases up to about \$500.

All of the pieces, which include prints, oil paintings, ceramics and jewelry, are by Paducah artists. The list will be announced later. However, the sale will be a meet-the-artist event, giving buyers the opportunity to chat with the participants.

Adding to festivities will be complimentary hors d'oeuvres by Artisan Kitchens and wine tasting from Glisson Vineyards.

May developed the affordable art concept three years ago with Jessica Perkins, who was involved in the project the first two years. Currently, May is the sole coordinator.

May loves to draw, so much so that she is never without a notebook. Before moving to Paducah eight years ago, she had a 10-year career as creative director for IBM's innovative center, a

# Affordable Art Sale

A partial list of participating artists:

- Amy Taylor Nolan
- Andy Eller
- Anita Rodriguez
- Barbara Clark
- Bill Renzulli
- Char Downs
- Charlotte Erwin
- David Lucht
- Harvey Sadow
- Jerry Oliver
- John Hasegawa
- John Romang
- Julie Shaw
- Keyth Kahrs
- Lily Liu
- Michael Terra
- Mitch Kimball
- Nikki May

- Paul Lorenz
- Shand Stamper
- Stefanie Graves
- Steve Hecklinger
- Susan Sadow
- Tracey Buchanan
- BiLan Liao



## Opposite page

Nikki May displays one of the fold-out notebooks she created. Some pieces at the Dec. 8 show will sell for as little as \$25.

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**Left**

Lower Town artist Lily Liu and John Hasegawa, head of ceramics at Paducah's School of Art, created several pieces for the show, including this fabric bowl. The bowl is made from strips of fabric that were rolled, tied by hand and sewn together.



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job that mandated numerous staff meetings.

"At every meeting, when everyone else was taking notes, I was drawing," she said. "I always have a notebook with me, and if I sit still for more than two minutes, I am going to be drawing."

Her fold-out notebooks are included in the show. She is also a web designer, graphics designer and creator of fine art. She is in charge of the writing and graphics for iList Paducah, a web site she founded with Mary Thorsby that now counts 7,500 email subscribers and 10,000 viewers a month.

Given the opportunity to admire and buy fine art at affordable prices, the show is a major Lower Town event.

May said the sale is "like a party. It's probably the best-attended event I've seen here. It's jam-packed with people, which is wonderful to see."

The sale will be 5 to 8 p.m. ❁