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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

FME BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, November 4
3:30 p.m.
Everglades City Hall

Reception to Meet the
Photographer
Quinn Hiaasen

Saturday, November 7
1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

ART-in-the-GLADES
Saturday, November 21
10 am – 2 pm, McLeod Park

SAVE THE DATE
Monday, December 7
Annual Meeting &
Luncheon

Upcoming Exhibits

January / February

Tommy Owen

March

Paul Arsenault

April / May

F J Frankenhoff Collection

Pauline Reeves Gallery

“Visions of the Everglades”

Quinn Hiaasen to Debut First Photography Exhibition



The Museum of the Everglades is excited to host an exhibit featuring photographer Quinn Hiaasen who is the youngest son of novelist Carl Hiaasen. At age 15 he is showing a promising career in the arts with his first exhibit highlighting a

collection of photographs capturing the pure beauty of the Everglades.

Quinn says: *“Growing up on the waters of South Florida instilled in me an interest in nature, particularly of the complex domains that exist beyond the ecumene. As a photographer, I find it amazing to be able to explore places like these and share the dramatic landscapes and wildlife with others.”*

Come meet Quinn on **Saturday, November 7**, from 1:00 to 3:00 pm in the Pauline Reeves Gallery. The event is hosted by the Friends of the Museum of the Everglades and everyone is invited to attend. Quinn’s photographs will be on display through December.

Museum News

On October 1 Jennifer Perry transferred to the Marco Island Historical Museum as its Manager (*see page 2*). Assistant Manager Martha Hutcheson is the new interim manager and will be handling the day-to-day duties at the Museum. Martha has been serving as Assistant Manager since July 2003 and has been the organizer of the annual Marjory Stoneman Douglas Festival. Both the Marco Island and Everglades City facilities are part of the Collier County Museums system.

To learn more about becoming a volunteer at the Museum, please give Martha a call at 695-0008.

The Museum is located at 105 West Broadway, Everglades City, telephone (239) 695-0008
Open to the public Monday through Saturday, 9 am to 4 pm

A Message from Jennifer Perry:

How lucky I am to have something that makes saying goodbye so hard.

~Carol Sobieski and Thomas Meehan, Annie

It is time for me to pass the baton and slide into my new position as Manager at our Marco Island Historical Museum. This farewell is bitter sweet for me.

It has been my pleasure to work at the Museum of the Everglades as Manager. The passion that comes from the community members here in Everglades City is truly unmatched. I love serving as an ambassador for not just the Museum of the Everglades but Everglades City. I can assure you that my esteemed colleague Martha Hutcheson will continue with all the big plans slated for the Museum of the Everglades' future. I will always advocate for this beautiful city and the Museum of the Everglades no matter where my future takes me. I understand why families have settled here and visitors from all over the world travel far and wide to visit this amazing place.

We have made great strides this past year. Here are just a few I am very proud of...

- Our Museum visitor attendance is up by 10% vs last year.
- The 11th Annual Marjory Stoneman Douglas Festival brought a record amount in visitors.
- We have developed a business plan for the Museum of the Everglades that includes a new redesign of the permanent gallery display and was awarded money this budget year to implement the initial phase.
- We began developing an oral history program that we hope to bring into the Everglades City classroom.

I thank each and every one of you that has reached out and supported us this year. Our success is not because of one person but that of all the passionate people that see the beauty and worth of OUR cultural heritage. I believe that history inspires the imagination, stimulates thought and transforms societies. Here at all of the Collier County Museums we connect people from the far and wide so that together we may shape a more informed future. This is not goodbye, but I will see you around! Jennifer

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

As we approach the end of this calendar year, it is time for us to ask our "friends" to renew their memberships. This past year we increased our numbers substantially, and we look forward to another record-breaking year. Please invite a friend to join our group. Benefits include advance reservations for the MSD Festival, free guided walking tours, notice and a personal invitation to special events, monthly newsletters, and a 20% discount at our Gift Shop. Business members also receive free advertising in the Newsletter and allocated space for brochures in the Museum.

***Be a part of our history -
your Museum needs your support.***

Check out our new website: www.evergladesmuseum.org

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