

“CLE Salutes our Military”

November 1 – March 31, 2013

CLE Salutes our Military is in honor of our military personnel. The display is a tribute of how proud the city is of the men and women who defend and protect our country and freedom. It is also a reminder to be grateful for those who have given their lives to make it possible for us to live in a prosperous and safe country.

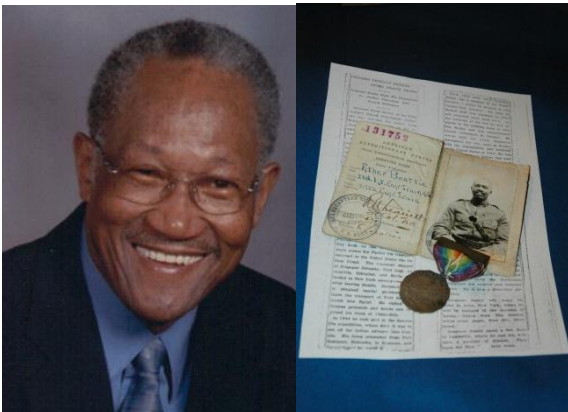


PHYLLIS J. BARRETT “KIKI.” An Ohio native who enjoys Westlake in the summer and when the weather turns frosty, heads to her home away from home in St. Petersburg, FL. After serious study at the Westlake School of Portraiture, Phyllis launched her artwork into a professional career. Progressing in mediums of charcoal, pastel and oil, Phyllis realized her lifetime desire. She is also an accomplished watercolor artist; where in this medium she freely expresses her thankfulness in God’s creations. She credits photographing her own reference material and looking closely into it as a challenge, one worth striving for to produce “show stopping work”. Completing commissions to

the clients greater expectations, a portrait of a loved one or expansive landscape, is her constant goal.

Phyllis has exhibited in Ohio and Florida. She is an active member of Suntan Cultural Arts Center in St. Petersburg, FL. and has judged and been awarded merits in several Tampa area shows.

Phyllis and her husband are proud parents of Major Dennis Marshall, United States Army, Retired. Phyllis J. Barrett may be contacted at Phyllisjbarrett@hotmail.com.



BRADY MELTON, JR. is a photo-journalist who has photographed numerous scenes: nature throughout Ohio; the California redwoods; the Eiffel Tower in Paris; the Pyramids of Egypt; and a witches’ sun dance on a Mexican mountaintop.

Melton is a fifty-year member of the Karamu Camera Guild – one of the oldest African American photography groups in America.

Notables in Melton’s portfolio include Muhammad Ali, James Brown, Magic Johnson, Dr. Marvin McMickle,

Congresswoman Stephanie Tubbs Jones, Mayor Carl Stokes, Senator Louis Stokes and Governor Andrew Young.

For years, the Cleveland Public Library, in celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King’s birthday, has exhibited Melton’s award-winning photographs.



ERIC ORTIZ tries to capture a mood or feeling that has inspired him. He works in mixed media over painted grounds. Eric received his B.F.A in graphic design at Cleveland State University. He uses the computer to create images for his compositions. His inspiration comes from artists such as Leroy Neiman, Pablo Picasso, Henri Matisse, Jan Pienkowski, Kara Walker, Andy Warhol, Hector Vega, Sebastian Kruger and Derek Hess. Eric's works have been featured in the Doubting Thomas Gallery in Tremont as well as the Zaller Gallery on Waterloo Rd. Eric also had the privilege to design and paint two guitars

for the 2012 Guitar Mania sponsored by the United Way.



KOLMAN ROSENBERG is a freelance editorial, documentary, fine art photographer and owner of Kolman Rosenberg Photography. He resides and works in Mentor, Ohio and has exhibited and won many awards for his photography. Kolman has had his work published in a number of books, magazines and television. Kolman also teaches photography classes at the Cleveland Photographic Society, where he served as the Director of their Fundamentals of Good

Photography School. He also teaches classes at the Mentor, Ohio Dodd Cameras store. More of Kolman's images can be seen on his website, www.kolmanphotos.com . He also publishes a regular blog at, www.photographyunposed.wordpress.com.



MARY "MIMI" SANDMAN is an award winning photographer who has had many of her photos published and in juried art shows. Her photography can be found in private homes and corporate collections though out the United States, England, Australia, Scotland, Costa Rica, Brazil, Japan and Thailand.

Mimi's photos have been used by the Medina County Convention & Visitors Bureau, Cornell Lab of Ornithology/Audubon, and the Audubon. She also has photos in Cleveland Hopkins International Airport

Art Program's permanent art inventory. One of her photos is part of the art collection at the new Hospice of Medina County building.

MICHAEL SPEAR is a commercial and fine art photographer based in Cleveland, Ohio. He earned his Bachelor of Science in Journalism from Bowling Green State University in 1986. Interested in photography from an early age, he has been shooting since 7th grade. He was the photography editor and photographer for both his high school and college yearbooks. After graduation from Bowling Green, he worked in advertising, was a freelancer for several local publications and assisted Bill Pappas, a local professional photographer, before starting his current studio business. Michael's work has been published in local, regional and international markets.

