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LOS ANGELES ASIAN & TRIBAL ART SHOW SHOWCASES MUSEUM-QUALITY ARTS & ANTIQUES FROM AFRICA, OCEANIA AND ASIA

Vetted Annual Show Opens with a Benefit for the Fowler Museum at UCLA

Los Angeles Asian & Tribal Art Show
Santa Monica Civic Auditorium
November 14-15, 2009

(Los Angeles – June 2009) The 19th Annual Los Angeles Asian & Tribal Art Show (LAATA) returns to the Santa Monica Civic Auditorium from November 14-15, 2009. The first show of its kind in the region: the LAATA is a nexus point for internationally renowned art dealers specializing in Asian (Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Indian and South Asian) and Tribal arts (African, American Indian, Oceanic & Sumatran). Vetted to ensure quality and provenance, the Los Angeles Asian & Tribal Art Show is a trusted place to learn about or purchase high-quality, authentic arts.

Visitors attending the show will experience more than 60 individual galleries, each showcasing an exclusive selection of authentic Asian and Tribal arts pieces, from some of the most-sought-after collecting arenas in the world. Art collectors, museum professionals, historians, arts enthusiasts and interior designers attend the show to add to their collections, learn about the different cultures or simply to find a beautiful piece of art to add to their home.

A 2008 show visitor states, “You don’t necessarily need elite expertise to find a great piece of art. I am a designer and I don’t have any special knowledge about Asian or Tribal art. I know what I like and what will look great in my house and the house of my client.”

The LAATA will open with a preview reception to benefit the Fowler Museum of Cultural History’s Textile Council on Friday November 13, 2009. Sponsored by Art + Living Magazine and California Homes, the wine and cheese reception will feature lively music and silent auction. The benefit routinely draws prominent museum and arts supporters eager to take advantage of the ‘first look’ at the show.

The Los Angeles Asian & Tribal Art Show will also present a series of arts discussions, a travel seminar and film screening.

Saturday, November 14

12:00pm

ArtTalk with the Fowler Museum at UCLA

The Fowler Museum at UCLA presents an ethnic arts lecture and discussion led by one of the museum's critically acclaimed curators. Additional details TBA.

2:00pm

Before You Go: What Every Traveler Needs to Know

Adrian Kalvinskas, travel expert and owner of Distant Lands Travel Bookstore will offer tips and advice for safe and stress-free travel to South East Asia and Africa.

Sunday November 15

1:00pm

Indian Film Festival of Los Angeles Screening & Panel Discussion

The Indian Film Festival of Los Angeles will showcase a short film followed by a panel discussion with leading Indian Filmmakers and Bollywood Entertainment professionals. Additional details TBA.

The Los Angeles Asian & Tribal Art Show opens with a benefit for the Textile Council of the Fowler Museum at UCLA on Friday November 13, 6pm - 9pm. This will also be the first opportunity to visit the over 60 top Asian & Tribal exhibitors.

The Los Angeles Asian & Tribal Art Show is open to the public Saturday November 14, from 11:00am-7:00pm and Sunday, November 15 from 11:00pm-5:00pm. There will be no admittance after 4:30pm on Sunday. General admission is \$10 per person. A suggested donation of \$25 is recommended to attend the benefit. To RSVP for the benefit or for more information, please call (310) 455-2886. The show is held at the Santa Monica Civic Auditorium, 1855 Main Street in Santa Monica. For additional information, the public should visit www.caskeylees.com.

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About Caskey Lees Inc.

Since 1985 California based Caskey Lees Inc. has produced high-end vetted antiques and fine arts shows. The production team of Bill Caskey and Elizabeth Lees is widely recognized for refining and expanding the art & antique shows to a new level in this country. Caskey Lees Inc. produces six shows annually: three in New York City, one in Los Angeles and two in San Francisco. For additional information about upcoming shows please visit www.caskeylees.com.

About the Fowler Museum

The Fowler Museum at UCLA is the only museum in Los Angeles exclusively dedicated to exploring non-Western arts and cultures, past and present. Exhibitions and programs cover a wide range of global artistic expression, from historic traditions to contemporary work by artists from Africa, Asia, the Pacific, Native and Latin America, and their respective Diasporas. Since 2002, the Fowler is one of the few museums in Los Angeles to be free of charge to all visitors. The Museum's first interest-specific member group, the Fowler Textile Council (FTC) offers unique opportunities to explore the Museum's world-renowned textile collections.