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### **Opening and Educational Events Complement Wayne Thiebaud Exhibition**

In conjunction with the exhibition *Wayne Thiebaud: Fifty Years of Painting*, the Kemper Museum offers a variety of educational opportunities of children and adults. The exhibition features Thiebaud's portraits, still lifes, cityscapes, and California landscapes. Through the Museum's educational programming, visitors can learn more about Wayne Thiebaud and his works. Admission is free to the Kemper Museum and its programs.

Opening Reception: *Wayne Thiebaud: Fifty Years of Painting*  
Friday, June 6, 5:30–7:30 p.m.

Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art

Start your weekend at the opening reception for *Wayne Thiebaud: Fifty Years of Painting* at the Kemper Museum. You have the opportunity to meet Bay Area artist Wayne Thiebaud and see his paintings from the 1950s to today.

Artist Talk: Wayne Thiebaud  
Sunday, June 8, 3:00 p.m.

Atkins Auditorium, The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art

(4525 Oak Street, Kansas City, MO 64111, two blocks from the Kemper Museum)

Join Bay-Area artist Wayne Thiebaud for a discussion about his work on display June 6–August 31, 2003, in the Kemper Museum's Main gallery. Thiebaud is renowned for his still-life paintings of cakes, pies, and other confections, but has also created various landscapes, cityscapes, and portraits. (Parking at the Nelson-Atkins costs \$3.00 for the general public and is free for its members.)

Family Day: Cakes & Pies, Stars & Moons—a Summer Solstice Celebration

Saturday, June 21, 2:00–4:00 p.m.

Celebrate the cycle of the seasons on the longest day of the year while creating hands-on projects inspired by Wayne Thiebaud's images of delicious desserts and Russell Crotty's celestial drawings. Enjoy free ice cream outside on the Museum's circle drive while observing fantastic sun-inspired physics demonstrations.

Tour: Meet Me at the Museum, Wayne Thiebaud: Fifty Years of Painting

Saturday, July 12, 2:00 p.m.

Join a Kemper Museum docent for a guided tour of *Wayne Thiebaud: Fifty Years of Painting*. Meet at the information desk shortly before 2:00 p.m. No reservations are required, but the tour is limited to 30 people.

Workshop: Art of Food/Food in Art

Sandwiches—Wednesday, July 23, 3:00–5:00 p.m.

Dessert—Wednesday, July 30 3:00–5:00 p.m.

Join Café Sebastienne Executive Chef Jennifer Maloney hands-on culinary workshops. With inspiration from Wayne Thiebaud's depictions of delicious desserts and other food items, learn to make beautiful food. Spend time discussing several of Thiebaud's works, and then enjoy a hands-on demonstration. Make sandwiches on July 23 and desserts on July 30. These free workshops are open to participants ages 12 and up. Each is limited 20 participants, and reservations are required. Call 816-753-5784 to reserve a space in one or both workshop.

#### Beat the Heat Summer Boredom Buster: Shape Up!

Tuesday, August 5, 2:00–4:00 p.m.

Fight back-to-school blues by coming to the Kemper Museum. This free class open to children entering grades 3–6 will focus on geometric shapes present in Wayne Thiebaud's depictions of delicious desserts. With inspiration from Thiebaud's work, participants will create shape-themed images of good things to eat. Reservations are required for this fun-filled afternoon. Space is limited to 25 participants. Call Kristy Peterson at

816-753-5784 to reserve a space for your child. Student groups larger than 10 children require the presence of an adult chaperone at the workshop.

#### Docent-Led Tours

Docent-led tours are available for groups of ten or more. Arrangements must be made at least two weeks in advance. Please contact Kristy Peterson at 816-753-5784. Student groups must have adult chaperones.

#### Our Sponsors

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#### Hours

The Kemper Museum is open 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m., Tuesday– Thursday; 10:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m., Friday–Saturday; and 11:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m., Sunday. Its popular Café Sebastienne serves lunch 11:00 a.m.–2:30 p.m., Tuesday–Sunday; and dinner 5:30–9:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday. Please note: the exhibition Wayne Thiebaud will be closed Saturday, June 14, and the Museum and Café will close at 4:00 p.m. that day.

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