Visual Art Master Bernard Hoyes Presents "The Bernard Hoyes and Friends Holiday Art Sale Gala"

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Los Angeles — This holiday season will be a wondrous celebration of love, light and vibrant color when Los Angeles' own cultural icon, visual artist Bernard Stanley Hoyes, not only opens his studio for a two-day sale, but also invites several of his friends from the art community to participate with the offerings as well. The Bernard Hoyes and Friends Art Holiday Sale Gala will be held Saturday, December 17 and Sunday, December 18 from 2:00 pm- 6:00 pm at his Artist's Studio located at 985 Westchester Place (one block west of Wilton, off Olympic Blvd.) in Los Angeles.

Hoyes' work is currently on display as part of the "Places of Validation, Art & Progression" exhibit organized by the California African American Museum as part of the Getty initiative "Pacific Standard Time: Art in LA 1945-1980" exhibitions; and can be seen in Lyn Kienholz's coffee table New Art Encyclopedia pictorial, "L.A. Rising: SoCal Artist before 1980" also supported by the Getty Foundation.

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"Candlelight Vigil" by Bernard Hoyes/ Finalist in Bombay Sapphire Artisan Series

[&]quot;The holidays always present a special time to gather with

family and friends. This gathering of my friends from the art community to offer our crafts to the public is therefore noteworthy at this time. We are artists who have been documenting culture since the 1970's, so this is an incredible opportunity to purchase distinct and exceptional gifts at affordable prices," cites Hoyes.

An internationally celebrated painter, Hoyes' work is known for its African American and Jamaican influences, brilliance in color and depth of spirituality. His recent exhibits include the Bombay Sapphire Artisan Series in San Francisco, presented in partnership with Russell and Danny Simmons' Rush Philanthropic Art Foundation and "Shout" an exhibition celebrating gospel music at Avisca Fine Art Gallery in Atlanta. Hoyes is the recent recipient of the 2010 Florence Sabin Distinguished Alumni Award at Vermont Academy in Saxtons River, VT and selections of Hoyes' work have been featured in several television shows including the Showtime hit series, "Dexter" and collected by Oprah Winfrey. President Barack Obama has even been photographed in front of his work.

Originals from his collection, as well as watercolors, serigraphs, etchings, limited editions, and poster, framed and unframed art will all be available for discount purchase. The event is free and open to the public and offers made are good for the sale days only.

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"Ribbons to Unite" by Bernard Hoyes

Art lovers unable to attend may browse online at http://www.BernardHoyes.com and call 323-732-4601 for discounts and to arrange pick up. Online shoppers may also use Promo Code: HG999 for a 50% online discount good from December 5th through December 20th. (Please note that December 20th is the last day for orders to be received with express shipping in time for Christmas.)