

"UNFORGOTTEN VALOR"

GALLERY DISPLAYS VISUAL HISTORY OF THE BUFFALO SOLDIER



Vickie Richardson welcomes viewers to the Left Of Center Gallery And Studio.

By Bill Lee

"UNFORGOTTEN VALOR" a visual history of the Buffalo Soldier, by Harold Bradford is now on display at the left of center Art Gallery and Studio. This quaint Gallery is nestled in the

Northwest part of the valley just off Cheyenne Avenue.

Owner and curator of this cultural additive is Vickie Richardson, who says that she opened the Gallery to showcase local artist as well as bringing in

artist from the outside. "We'll have an on-going exhibit, there will never be a time when the Gallery is empty," stated Richardson. "We're planning on having the exhibits coincide with the seasons, a winter, and a spring showing. We have a strong commitment to education, emphasizing when the young artists aren't thinking about painting, they're thinking about the educational side of art as well.

According to Vickie, the Gallery has been well received by various art lovers in the valley. Harold Bradford, the talented artist for this exhibit, credits his inspiration to produce the various images of the Buffalo Soldier to a TV show of the sixties called The Big Valley in which Barbara Stanwyck was reflecting on the contribution of the infamous Buffalo Soldier. In fact the over-all scope of the show

was focused on the subject that featured renowned African-American actor Brock Peters (Peters was a regular on the Young and The Restless in the early eighties). Fellow artists and friends convinced Bradford to pursue his ambition to put his impressions on canvas. It took roughly six months to complete some sixteen pieces which are on display.

Bradford is a graduate of Washington State University where he received his Bachelors and Masters degree in art. "Art is my life!" he stated boldly.

The exhibit will be on display from now until April 30. Hours of operation are Thurs. & Fri. 2:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. and Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Exact location of left of center is 2207 West Gowan in North Las Vegas. For appointments call 647-7378.



New Orleans artist Harold Bradford stands proudly with "The Buffalo Scout", one of sixteen pieces on display. Photo by Bill Lee

ICE T FINALIZES DEAL WITH PRIORITY RECORDS; HOME INVASION ALBUM DUE MARCH 23 IN STORES

Ice T's latest opus, Home Invasion, will find its home at leading independent label Priority Records. The album will be released on Ice T's newly formed Rhyme Syndicate Records label and distributed domestically by Priority. Back catalog on both Ice T and his rock band, Body Count, will still be available through Warner Brothers Records.

The move to Priority follows the amicable departure of mega-star Ice T from Sire Records, a division of the Time/Warner conglomerate.

Priority President Bryan Turner said of the Home Invasion deal, "It feels like Ice T is finally home. Everyone here has a tremendous amount of respect and feeling for him. He is an artist with talent and integrity."

Says manager Jorge Hinojosa, "I have long respected Priority Records for their ability and success in this genre of music. I look at this relationship as a step up, and I have no doubt that our new venture will be extremely successful."

A formal press conference discussing further details will be announced shortly.



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minute stand in to lip sing along.

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