



Handcrafted jeweled butterfly belt buckle by Paul Pearman

Crafty Finds

THE AMERICAN CRAFT COUNCIL presents its 21st annual **American Craft Show** March 12-14 at the **Cobb Galleria Centre**, with a Preview Party benefiting the Museum of Design Atlanta and The American Craft Council on Thursday, March 11, from 6-9 p.m.

The largest juried fine craft show in the Southeast offers the chance to meet and to purchase work from nearly 250 of the nation's most-esteemed artists, from jewelry, toys, furniture and clothing, to decorative home accessories created from glass, metal, wood, clay, ceramics

and fiber. Callanwolde Fine Arts Center will program the Artists Demonstration area, which this year includes a kids craft-making activity.

In addition, the Atlanta show will display the work of artists from the growing handmade craft movement, and offer a selection of GreenCraft and distinctive lawn and garden accessories.

Hours are Friday from 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; visit www.craftcouncil.org/atlanta.

Best Bets

HERE ARE JUST SOME OF THE OTHER NOT-TO-MISS DISPLAYS ON VIEW AROUND TOWN THIS SPRING:

■ The one-of-a-kind exhibit **"Diana: A Celebration,"** from Jan. 23-June 13 at the **Atlanta Civic Center**, chronicles the life and humanitarianism of the late Princess of Wales with more than 150 objects in nine galleries, including 28 of her designer dresses, family heirlooms and more. This is the exhibit's second and final stop of its U.S. tour before returning to the Spencer family estate in England; call (800) 745-3000 or visit www.ticketmaster.com, and for more information, including hours of operation, go to www.dianaexhibition.com.



"Diana: A Celebration"

Mario Testino

■ To honor the 200th anniversary of Lincoln's birth and the 50th anniversary of the Atlanta Student Movement, the **Atlanta History Center** presents **"Civil War to Civil Rights,"** a series of exhibits and programming that explores American history from the 1860s-1960s. Among the exhibits featured in the series are **"Let Your Motto Be Resistance: African American Portraits,"** running through April 25; **"Voices Across the Color Line: The Atlanta Student Movement 50th Anniversary,"** from March 15-Sept. 25; and **"With Malice Toward None: The Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Exhibition,"** coming up from Sept. 4-Nov. 6; call (404) 814-4000 or visit www.atlantahistorycenter.com.

■ The **Jimmy Carter Presidential Library & Museum** presents **"Life Through the Lens: Photographs of Senator Howard H. Baker, Jr."** March 13-June 27, featuring 50 images that encompass fellow members of Congress and many presidents; the heads of various foreign states; the broad range of people and places in Washington, D.C.; as well as the unspoiled natural vistas of his native state. As a U.S. senator from Tennessee, Senate Majority Leader, White House Chief of Staff and Ambassador to Japan, Baker has been at the center of world events and often brought his camera along to photograph the sites; call (404) 865-7100 or visit www.jimmycarterlibrary.gov.

■ The **Georgia Aquarium** is featuring an out-of-water shark exhibit through Labor Day Weekend. Created by a team of experts on sharks, aquariums, ocean cinematography and world-class exhibits, **"Planet Shark: Predator or Prey"** explores some of the unusual relationships humans have forged with sharks. Discover the facts, dispel the myths and get a better understanding of one of the most misunderstood animals on Earth through lectures from world-renowned shark experts and shark-themed film festivals; call (404) 581-4000 or visit www.georgiaaquarium.org.

Exceptional Exhibits



1937 Delage D8-120S, Surbaisse, formerly owned by Louis Delage

The **High Museum of Art** presents **"The Allure of the Automobile"** March 21-June 20, featuring 18 of the world's rarest and most brilliantly conceived cars from 1930-1965. This one-of-a-kind exhibit traces the evolution of the sport luxury motor-car, examining the contrasts between American and European design, and the significant changes in styling and engineering before and after World War II. These greatest feats of engineering include masterpieces by Bugatti, Duesenberg, Jaguar, Mercedes-Benz, Porsche, Ferrari and Corvette. Rare American examples include a 1933 Pierce Arrow Silver Arrow introduced at the Chicago World's Fair, and a 1934 Packard Twelve Runabout Speedster and 1935 Duesenberg SJ Roadster, both formerly owned by Clark Gable. From Europe, visitors will see a 1937 Mercedes-Benz 540 K Special Roadster, a 1937 Bugatti Type 57S Atalante Coupe and a 1938 Alfa Romeo 8C2900B Touring Berlinetta; call (404) 733-5000 or visit www.high.org.