## Unique gifts aplenty at campus holiday sale

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Shoppers choose from a variety of locally crafted artwork at the annual Newcomb Art Department Holiday Studio Sale. (Photo by Kaori Maeyama)

If your holiday gift list is looking a little lackluster, you can find a variety of locally crafted, vibrant artwork — ranging from photography to jewelry — at the annual Newcomb Art Department Holiday Studio Sale.

Laura Richens, curator of the Carroll Gallery in the Newcomb Art Department, organizes the annual event, which exclusively features works created by faculty members, students and alumni.

"The objects that you find at this event are things that you can't get anywhere else," she said. "Ceramics students, glass students and printmakers get together to create

many of the products on sale."

Shoppers can browse the eclectic selection of ceramic goods, paintings, sculptures and hand-blown glass ornaments — a popular choice for patrons looking for crowd-pleasing presents.

"The glass students have been hand-blowing hundreds of ornaments since October in preparation for this event. Each piece is truly one of a kind," said Richens.

The event's proceeds benefit the Newcomb Art Department, funding classroom equipment and the cost of travel for students heading to academic conferences.

Held on the Tulane University uptown campus, the sale takes place in the Woldenberg Art Center's department conference room (Room 204) and drawing studio (Room 214).

Following a special preview night open to alumni and friends of Newcomb Art Department on Thursday, Dec. 14, from 6 to 8 p.m., the shopping event will be open to the public on Friday, Dec. 15, and on Saturday, Dec. 16, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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For a preview of the Newcomb Art Department Holiday Studio Sale, check out this video by Sally Asher.