Cool Art, Hot Gifts

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Holiday shoppers looking for one-of-a-kind gifts will flock to the Carroll Gallery on the uptown campus on Friday and Saturday (Dec. 4â\["5) for the annual Holiday Sale by the Newcomb Art Department, featuring an array of artwork by students, faculty members and alumni.



Ceramics are always popular items at the Newcomb Art Department's benefit Holiday Sale, but shoppers and art lovers also can choose drawings, prints, paintings and glass art. (Photo by William DePauw)

Glass artists, ceramists, painters and printmakers have been working for months on items for the fund-raising sale. Members of the art faculty hold group work days for students to produce items to benefit their program areas. Individual artists also produce works for sale, with a percentage going back to the art department to help fund studios and the Carroll Gallery.

"The annual Holiday Sale can be one of the most exciting events the Newcomb Art Department sponsors, because of the high quality and varied nature of the works,

and the fact that art lovers can acquire these works at reasonable prices," said Elizabeth Boone, chair of the Newcomb Art Department. "The faculty members, students and local artists work hard to create always-popular items like glass ornaments, vases and platters, but each year there is experimentation to achieve something new."

In this year's <u>sale</u> are framed letterpress prints by printmaking students, ceramic wine goblets by recent graduate Heather Lane and tumblers made from Barq's Root Beer bottles as well as hand-blown fluted bowls by Dave Lindsley.

Among items contributed by alumni of the art program are ceramics from JoAnn Greenberg, drawings by Karoline Schleh, ceramic vessels by Matt Steadman and glass pendants by Ben Dombey.

Members of the Newcomb Art Gallery League will attend a preview event in the Carroll Gallery in the Woldenberg Art Center on Thursday (Dec. 3) from 6 until 8 p.m., but anyone interested may join the league that night and enjoy the preview. The public sale will be held on Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.