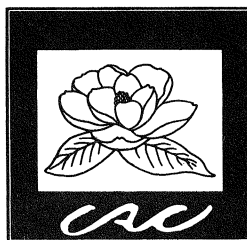


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**MEDIA ALERT: PIANIST GEORGE MANN PERFORMS
AT WOODIE FITE SENIOR CENTER**

Douglasville, Georgia – The Cultural Arts Council of Douglasville/Douglas County is pleased to present pianist George Mann in a recital on Saturday, October 24th, from 2 until 3 p.m. at the Woodie Fite Senior Center in Douglasville. His performance dedicates the generous gift of piano from Lorraine McBean in honor of her namesake aunt to the Cultural Arts Council, and the instrument has been placed on loan from the Arts Council for use at the senior center. The performance is free but donations of \$5 are suggested to audience members. Please call the Cultural Arts Council at 770.949.2787.

Now living in Lithia Springs, GEORGE MANN received Bachelor of Music and Master of Music degrees from the College-Conservatory of Music of the University of Cincinnati where his principal teacher was the late Herbert L. Newman. In 1971 Mann joined the faculty of Kansas State College of Pittsburg; and in 1974 he came to the State University of West Georgia in Carrollton where he was Professor of Music until his retirement in 2002. An adjunct faculty member at Berry College in Rome from 2002-2004, he has also taught at LaGrange College. A recipient of the Master Teacher Certificate, the highest award given by the Music Teachers National Association for excellence in teaching, Mann has had many students receive recognition in various piano competitions. He has presented many piano workshops and master classes and is frequently asked to judge competitions throughout the South. One of the pianists listed in *The Piano in Concert*, a comprehensive work including pianists and their concert programs from the time of Liszt to the late twentieth century, Mann has performed widely as solo recitalist, accompanist and chamber concert musician. He has been soloist with orchestras in Ohio, Kansas, and Georgia, most recently with the DeKalb Symphony Orchestra. His recitals have often been broadcast over WABE. In 1997, Mann was commissioned by Intersound Recordings to record a four-CD set of classical piano, "Sensual Classics," which is distributed nationally and internationally. The music director of St. Julian's Episcopal Church in Douglasville, George Mann also arranges the Kinna Chamber Concerts at the Cultural Arts Council every year.

"George Mann is one of our most popular and accomplished local pianists," stated CAC Director Laura C. Lieberman. "We can think of no one better to help us dedicate the wonderful Kimball piano we were given by Lorraine McBean. We are pleased to be able to offer Douglas County's Woodie Fite Senior Center the use of this beautiful baby grand, which dates from the World War II era. We know Miss Woodie who so often played at the Cultural Arts Center would be delighted."

The Woodie Fite Senior Center is located at 8750 Dorris Road off Hospital Drive east of the Douglas County Courthouse. The Cultural Arts Council is supported in part by the City of Douglasville, the Douglas County Board of Commissioners, the State General Assembly, and the Georgia Council for the Arts, which is supported in part by the National Endowment for the Arts. For more information, please contact the Cultural Arts Council at 770/949-2787 or visit our web site --- www.artsdouglas.org.

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CALENDAR LISTINGS: MUSICAL PERFORMANCES

TITLE: George Mann – solo piano recital

PLACE: The Woodie Fite Senior Center
8750 Dorris Road
Douglasville, Georgia 30134

DATE: Saturday, October 24th, 2009

TIME: 2 until 3 p.m.

COST: Free (suggested donation \$5)

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