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MESDA Speaks: Henry D. Green Symposium, Athens, GA

Winston-Salem, NC (December 11, 2009): Robert Leath, Vice President of Collections and Research and Chief Curator, and June Lucas, Director of Research, will speak as part of the fifth annual Henry D. Green Symposium of the Decorative Arts January 29 - 30 in Athens, Georgia. The symposium's subject is "Neighboring Voices: The Decorative Culture of Our Southern Cousins."

Robert will deliver the symposium's keynote lecture "Georgia on Our Minds: MESDA and the Discovery of Georgia's Early Decorative Arts" at 7:00 p.m.on Friday, January 29, in the Mahler Auditorium of the Georgia Center. His lecture will focus on MESDA's efforts to document the artistic legacy of Georgia through its Research Center and collection. This lecture is sponsored in part by the Georgia Humanities Counciland is free and open to the public

June will talk about "Wood as Canvas: The Paint-Decorated Furniture of Piedmont North Carolina" on Saturday, January 30, at 9:20 a.m.. Tickets for her lecture are included as part of symposium registration.

The Henry D. Green Symposium of the Decorative Arts is presented by the Georgia Museum of Art and the Henry D. Green Center for the Study of the Decorative Arts at the University of Georgia in Anthens, Georgia. For more information, or to register, visit the <u>symposium's website</u>..