

# '20s exhibit 'swings' into Palmer

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The Palmer Museum of Art will travel back in time tomorrow when it hosts An Evening of Swing, kicking off a new, two-month exhibit of art from the 1920s and 1930s.

The free event, which starts at 7 p.m. and is open to the public, will feature jazz music from the Dan Yoder Quartet, along with a sampling of hors d'oeuvres provided by Wegmans and prohibition "martinis," minus the alcohol.

The Dan Yoder Quartet is expected to perform standard tunes of the '20s and '30s like "I Got Rhythm" by George Gershwin, along with music by Duke Ellington and other musicians from that time period.

Dana Kletchka, museum educator, said there is a revived interest in music of that time period.

"Swing is infectious music," said Dan Yoder, saxophonist for the quartet and head of the university's jazz program.

Joyce Robinson, museum curator, hopes the artwork will be just as infectious. "This is an effort to engage students," Robinson said.

Robin Seymour, coordinator of membership and public relations at the museum, said one of the goals of tomorrow's event and the exhibit itself, which runs through May 22, is to attract more first-time visitors.

"We want people to be comfortable here," she said.

Regular museum visitors, however, will also be in for a treat, event organizers say.

The prints featured in the exhibit come from a period of time when the art community in this country was making a break from Europe and trying to establish its own American identity, Robinson said.

The subject matter of the original prints focuses on aspects of American life, from rural depictions to city outlines.

The way the prints were created also has some interesting history behind it. Some artists etched a design onto a hard surface and then transferred it to paper with ink.

The prints were later signed by the artists and sometimes numbered, allowing each work of art to be produced in multiples and maintain its originality and



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American artist John Sloan's etching *Fashions of the Past* will be featured at the Palmer Museum of Art.

authenticity. The reproductive technology became more sophisticated in the 1920s and 1930s, Kletchka said.

Some of the artwork in the gallery comes from artists who were commissioned by the government under the Works Progress Administration, a program instituted by President Franklin Roosevelt during the Great Depression to help revive the economy.

Other showcased prints are gifts from various private donors and Friends of the Palmer Art Museum.

During tomorrow's event, Robinson will also be leading an informal talk about the exhibit and its rich history and will be available to answer any questions.

"This is a very strong collection of works on paper," she said.

Kletchka said the display would be an enjoyable and an informative experience.

"Learning and fun don't have to be mutually exclusive," she said.

## If you go

**What:** An Evening of Swing

**Time:** 7 p.m.

**Date:** tomorrow

**Place:** Palmer Museum of Art

**Details:** Admission is free. Call 863-8608 for more details.



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Louis Lozowick's lithograph *Derricks and Men (Riding the Girder)* is featured at the Palmer Museum of Art's new exhibit on the 20s and 30s.

## ARTS IN BRIEF

### Judge convicts Lil' Kim of perjury

NEW YORK (AP) — Rap diva Lil' Kim was convicted yesterday of lying to a federal grand jury to protect friends involved in a shootout outside a radio station.

Lil' Kim and her assistant were both convicted of perjury and conspiracy but acquitted of obstruction of justice. They each face up to 20 years in prison; sentencing was set for June 24.

The 29-year-old former sidekick and mistress of the late Notorious B.I.G., known for her revealing outfits and raunchy raps, testified that she did not notice two close friends at the scene of the 2001 shootout — her manager, Damion Butler, and Suif "Gutta" Jackson. Both men have since pleaded guilty to gun charges.

## THE SCENE

**Allen Street Grill**, 100 W. College Ave., will feature Bill Filer and Magic Hat beer (231-4745).

**Bar Bleu**, 114 S. Garner St., will feature Dominick Swentosky. Specials include half-priced happy hour from 9 to 11 p.m. and \$5 Miller Lite pitchers until midnight (237-0374).

**The Brewery**, 233 E. Beaver Ave., will feature Mr. Hand. Specials include \$2.75 domestic pitchers, \$4.50 premium pitchers, \$1.75 shots and mixed drinks, \$5.25 Bacardi and Coke and Captain and Coke pitchers, \$5.50 iced tea pitchers and \$2 white Russians from 10 to 11 p.m. (237-2892).

**Café 210 West**, 210 W. College Ave., will feature JR and Katie at 6 p.m. and The Earthtones at 10:30 p.m. Specials include \$5 32 oz. liquor pitchers from 11 a.m. to midnight, a lager feature, \$2 iced teas and happies from 6 to 8 p.m. (237-3449).

**Crowbar**, 420 E. College Ave., will feature Bad Hair Day at 10:30 p.m. Specials include half-priced everything from 9 to 11 p.m. and \$5 Coors Light pitchers from 5 p.m. to midnight (237-0426).

**Lion's Den**, 118 S. Garner St., will feature The JP Mills Show, presented by Bacardi at 9 p.m. Specials include \$1 Bacardi and colas from 8 p.m. to midnight and \$1 iced teas from 9 to 11 p.m. (237-5081).

**The All American Rathskeller**, 108 S. Pugh St., will feature Brian Lubrecht at 8 p.m. and Katsu at 10:30 p.m. Specials include \$2 Captain and cola and happy hour from 8 to 10 p.m. (237-3858).

**The Darkhorse Tavern**, 128 E. College Ave., will feature half-priced happies from 6 to 8 p.m. and \$4.50 Labatt Blue pitchers from 6 p.m. to midnight (237-0490).

**The Dell's z-Bar**, 113 Hiester St., will feature half-priced happies from 8 p.m. to midnight and \$6 iced tea pitchers until midnight (237-5710).

**The Gingerbread Man**, 130 Hiester St., will feature G-TV with VJ Boner at 9 p.m. Specials include \$4 Miller Lite pitchers, \$2.75 Sam Adams and Sierra Nevada pints, \$4 Saranac Lager, Michelob Ultra and Bud Light pitchers, \$2 Dr. McGillicuddy's Mentholmints, \$2.50 cherry busters and Smirnoff cocktails, \$5.50 32 oz. Bacardi Hurricanes and happies from 8 to 10 p.m. (237-0361).

**The Saloon**, 101 Hiester St., will feature Velveeta. Specials include happy hour from 6 to 8 p.m. and \$4.75 Coors Light pitchers until midnight (234-4590).

**Zeno's**, 100 W. College Ave., will feature AAA Blues at 7 p.m. and Spider Kelly at 10:30 p.m. Specials include a Sam Adams special all day (237-2857).

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