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Sign Up Starts Dec. 13 for Arts Education at Eyedrum New initiative aims to provide classes unlike any in Atlanta

ATLANTA — Eyedrum will hold open registration for its new arts education initiative this weekend. Anyone interested in learning about a wide range of unique subjects, at a reasonable fee, and from innovators in Atlanta's arts community is welcome to attend.

A variety of classes are offered, from one-day experiences to 10-week workshops. And the topics are as diverse as the instructors: Woody Cornwell, Raymond Carr, Strobe Connell, Lynore Dost, Christie Vozniak and Jaynie Crimmins.

Registration is mandatory, and is available on Saturday, Dec. 13, and Sunday, Dec. 14, from 1-6 p.m. Don't worry — there will be another chance to register at Eyedrum in January. You must register in person to sign up for the classes. Payment is expected at registration; cash, check or credit card is accepted.

"The classes are intended to be another way for Eyedrum to do outreach within our arts community. We are collaborating with artists across the arts spectrum," says Board Member Deisha Oliver, who is coordinating the education program.

Most of the classes will take place in Eyedrum's back gallery. Students will learn about any additional required materials at registration. Start dates vary, but most classes begin on January 16, and wrap up by March 20.

The education initiative is the nonprofit's latest effort to support and encourage the development, exchange, and presentation of creative ideas. One of Eyedrum's goals is to create a forum that serves and nourishes the multifaceted outgrowth in the contemporary cultural arts. The classes aim to further Eyedrum's mission to serve as a resource, expand its outreach to diverse communities and feature innovative, alternative programming.

WHAT: Open registration for continuing education at Eyedrum

WHEN: Saturday-Sunday, Dec. 13-14, 2008, 1-6 p.m.

PRICE: Registration is \$10; class fees vary. Cash, check and credit card accepted.

WHERE: Eyedrum, 290 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SW, Suite 8, Atlanta 30312.

FOR MORE INFO: E-mail education@eyedrum.org (for more information only; you must attend registration in person to sign up for classes)

Started in 1998, Eyedrum is a nonprofit organization developing an interdisciplinary approach to the arts by incorporating a wide range of contemporary art, music and new media in its gallery space. The gallery is operated entirely by volunteers, and supported through memberships and donations. It has been recognized internationally as well as locally by Atlanta's Office of Cultural Affairs and within the community at large for its advancement of innovation.