

Pasadena Museum of History Features Historical Figures® in Miniatures Exhibit



Figures featured in the exhibit (rt to lt) Mary and Abraham Lincoln, Lakota Warrior, Duc d' Orleans and Marie de' Medici.

Ms. Paula Pasic became acquainted with George Stuart's Historical Figures when she was curator of the now-closed Museum of Miniatures in Los Angeles. So when she was invited to curate a miniatures exhibition at the Pasadena Museum of History, including Stuart's Figures was certain.

The choice of Figures represented a cross-section of Stuart's work, including both American and European Figures. On June 9, Mr. Stuart spoke about his work to a gathering of Museum Founders. The exhibition will end a three-month run on July 23.

The return to Pasadena was nostalgic for Mr. Stuart as he lived there during the WWII years.



The home of the Pasadena Museum of History

The *Figuratively Speaking Newsletter* is published quarterly by Figuratively Speaking Publications of Ojai, CA. Please see page four for subscription information.

Figuratively Speaking Publications is a for-profit entity independent of the Ventura County Museum of History & Art and its George Stuart Historical Figures Guild.

Events & Announcements

Norman Knight is Typical Fighter of 4th Crusade in 1204 CE.



Notes from the artist

This just-finished commissioned Figure will shortly travel east to its new home. As with all generic military sculptures, there is endlessly complicated and detailed equipment to recreate.

Especially difficult here has been the chain mail and helmet. Chinese and Canadian resources were utilized to achieve the desired results. All of the work had to be "aged" and battered to look believable. The simplest objects are the most difficult to accomplish.

Figuratively Speaking Publications to Host Subscribers at Ojai Gathering.

On Sunday, July 16 from 1 to 4pm, George Stuart will thank FSP subscribers with a reception and a first-time exhibit of three new Figures and four restored Monsanto Figures, including—

- **C. J. Walker**, the first black woman entrepreneur.
- **Zulu Warrior**, a commissioned Figure.
- **Norman Knight**, a second commissioned Figure.
- **Salome, Queen of Sheba, Queen Cleopatra and King Tutankhamen**, all restored members of the Monsanto Collection.

This event may be the only time these Figures will be exhibited anywhere. The two fighters will soon be departing for a private collection in New York. Likewise, the four Monsanto Figures are due to return soon to their owner's collection in Spokane, WA.

**Non-members can subscribe at the door.
See Page 4 for details.**

**RSVP to Ria Becker at 805-641-3100
email: beckerbysea@cs.com**



Salome dances with the head of John the Baptist

Projects & Programs

Stuart and Zinser Collaborate on Dentures for Historical Figures.



Stuart and Zinser discuss modifications needed for new dentures.



The level of detail found in a Figure extends to perfect or imperfect teeth, depending on the historical subject. For nearly two decades, Stuart has engaged Keith Zinser at Viade, Inc. of Camarillo to fabricate dentures for Historical Figures. Viade produces denture models for dental education and demonstration. Not surprisingly, Stuart requires different designs for males and females. Coloration also is varied.

During the Figure modeling process, Stuart further modifies the dentures to give the subject an appropriate "smile."



Stuart radically modified basic male dentures for Roman Soldiers.

English History Monologs Air in Ventura, Ojai, Santa Barbara, Oxnard. Most to be Repeated.

Cable channels in Ventura and Ojai are repeating the "**300 Years of English History**" monologs. Oxnard and Santa Barbara channels have aired the series and may repeat it in the near future. Other channels are being approached in Camarillo, Thousand Oaks, Simi Valley, Ojai and Santa Barbara.

Each channel has rules about who can submit programs for broadcast. To have the monologs aired on your cable network, email Leroy Becker at beckerbysea@cs.com or call/fax 805-641-3100.



Still image ad screened by the Ojai Playhouse.

Events & Subscription

Ojai Gallery Exhibit Norse Gods Runs Through November 2006



The Frost Giants, represented by the largest Historical Figure, play an important part in the Norse saga. Twin Frost Giants were promised a horde of gold to fortify Valhalla, only to be bewitched and deceived by warring factions among the gods.

Summer Special! Monolog DVDs Offered at Consumer Prices

The *"300 Years of English History"* DVDs were introduced at \$29.95 each (\$74.95 for set of 3). Early buyers understood they were helping assure future monologs would be videotaped and produced as DVDs.

Indeed, the funds have helped automate DVD duplication and enabled us to video tape all monologs since September 2005.

While sales among Stuart supporters has been good, consumer sales will increase during our **Summer Special at \$19.95 each and \$49.95 for the 3-DVD set.** The lower prices will become permanent if sales warrant.

At these lower prices, now is a great time to do a little early holiday shopping for history buff friends and relatives.

The DVDs may be purchased by mail from us or the VCMHA Store. Online ordering is available at: www.galleryhistoricalfigures.com.

Summer
SALE
NOW ON

You can help . . .

promote and preserve Historical Figures and monologs now by subscribing to our **"Figuratively Speaking"** Newsletter and participating in Gallery activities and projects. (See enclosed Subscription Form). Subscriptions fees and contributions are not tax deductible.

Full Subscription

Full Subscription for \$250/year helps support projects and includes—

- **"Figuratively Speaking" Newsletter**
- **Three-DVD Set of Stuart Monologs**
- Invitation to Gallery events
- Special offers from the Gallery
- Color prints of new photography
- Opportunities for project management

Associate Subscription

To keep up with the latest Gallery news, Associate Subscription for \$50/year includes—

- **"Figuratively Speaking" Newsletter**
- Emailed announcements
- Invitation to Gallery events
- Special offers from the Gallery
- Opportunities for project participation

PROJECTS TO PRESERVE HISTORICAL FIGURES AND MONOLOGS

Over recent decades, hundreds of photos and many hours of monologs have been recorded. These recordings will deteriorate if not converted to digital format and catalogued. Now you can help preserve Mr. Stuart's work by contributing to a restoration project.

ACTIVE PROJECTS

- Image conversion
- Monolog recording
- Website development
- Archive development

Figuratively Speaking Publications

P.O. Box 508 • Ojai, CA 93024