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## Two Exhibitions in March at the Gibson House and Property

(Woodland, CA) – In honor of Women’s History Month, YoloArts will be debuting two exhibitions with a reception on March 12 from 5:30 – 8:00 p.m. at the Gibson House and Property, located at 512 Gibson Road in Woodland. Participants will enjoy music by jazz guitarist Jon Spivack in the Barn Gallery and classical music by The Dolcetto Quartet in the Gibson House. An exhibition talk is scheduled at 6:00 p.m. in the Gibson House.

The first exhibit, *Women Eco Artists Dialog: The Legacy of Jo Hanson*, runs March 12 through June 18 and will be located in the Barn Gallery. *Women Eco Artists* will showcase the artwork of 16 members of WEAD (the Women Eco Artists Dialog), an Oakland based nonprofit that focuses on women’s unique perspectives in ecofeminist and social justice art, and works to further the understanding of environmental and social change through visual art. The exhibition pays homage to the legacy of WEAD co-founder, the late Jo Hanson, and the growing movement of artists who use their voices and creative actions to focus attention on issues of social and environmental concern and is co-curated by Janice Purnell, creative director at YoloArts, and Nanette Wylde, a WEAD board member.

“This exhibition presents a wonderful diversity of media and mood; each artist provides us with accessible and thought-provoking pathways using humor and transformation to reflect and consider how we can take action to salvage environmental health,” said WEAD Board Member Nanette Wylde. “It offers a vital perspective as we work together toward a just, sane, and healthy world for all.”

The second exhibit, *Fashion Forward: Women’s Wear and Social Reform*, runs March 12 through June 26 and will be located in the Gibson House. This exhibition celebrates the centennial anniversary of women’s suffrage in America and features unique objects of clothing archived in the Yolo County Historical Collection. The public will be able to explore the emergence of the “new woman” and political and social change brought about by the suffrage movement and view articles of clothing, of which many will be on display for the first time in Yolo County. This collaborative exhibition with Yolo County Archives and the Paul W. Hollingshead Archives, courtesy of Bill and Sharon Dianne Hollingshead, is funded in part by the Yolo County Women’s History Month Committee, and includes fashion photography from Paul W. Hollingshead, who had a prolific career in Woodland from 1932 to 1969.

“This exhibition features women’s garments from 1880 -1920 and looks at how fashion and politics were changing at the turn of the twentieth century,” said Yolo County Historical Collection Curator Iulia Bodeanu. “The exhibition also features profiles of Yolo County women involved in civic and women’s groups which promoted social causes and supported the suffrage movement at a local level.”

For those looking for additional events celebrating Women’s History Month:

- **March 11: Knowledge @ Noon, 12:00 p.m.** (Gibson House and Property) Susan B. Kaiser, Ph.D., UC Davis professor of Textiles and Clothing, and Gender, Sexuality and Women's Studies will be the speaker.
- **March 21: A Collage Workshop, 1:00 p.m.** (The Barn Gallery) Explore the materials and techniques of making collage with reclaimed materials and found objects with San Francisco artist Lorna Stevens, one of the exhibition artists. Participants must purchase tickets at: <https://yoloarts.org/>.

Public open hours for both exhibitions will be two Saturdays a month from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. For specific dates and more information about the exhibitions, collage workshop, and Knowledge @ Noon, please visit <https://yoloarts.org/>. For more information, contact YoloArts at: 530-309-6464 or [ya@yoloarts.org](mailto:ya@yoloarts.org).

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