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Clyde R. and Helen M. Bacon Collection of Asian Art

*Retiulated Hexagonal Brushpot with Famille-Verte Enamels, 5 1/8" x 4" diameter
Ginger Jar and Cover with Famille-Verte Enamels, depicting a kneeling official and
his attendants, and a woman and baby with her maid, 9 5/8" x 7 1/2" diameter
Leaf Shaped Bowl with Famille-Verte Enamels, decorated with the eight precious
objects, 7 1/8" x 6 3/4"
All are Chinese, Qing Dynasty, Kangxi period, circa 1680, porcelain
Collection of Boise Art Museum, Gift of Clyde R. and Helen M. Bacon*



BOISE - Boise Art Museum (BAM) is honored to present this collection of fine Asian art, gifted to the Museum by local collectors Helen M. and the late Clyde R. Bacon, on display December 17, 2005 – June 18, 2006.

The Qing dynasty of the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries represents the culmination of Chinese ceramic art. The greatest achievement was in the field of over-glaze enamels in which pictorial art is painted on elegant vases, bowls and plates in subtle and varied

coloration. Many of the porcelains are decorated with finely drawn landscapes, birds, flowers and genre paintings.

The 77 works on view include elegant examples of Chinese imperial porcelains, objects of daily use and Chinese export ware. The Bacons, both Idaho natives, spent more than three decades assembling this magnificent collection.

RELATED PROGRAMMING (free with Museum admission)

***Toddler Wednesday* February 1, drop in 10 a.m. – Noon**

Sponsored by Target Stores

Children ages 2-3 with an adult are invited to explore lines and patterns in clay after viewing the exhibit.

***Studio Art Exploration* March 2, drop in 5 – 8 p.m.**

Art lovers of all ages and abilities are invited to explore the exhibit, then experiment with clay in the Museum's Albertsons Education Studios.

***Family Art Saturday* May 27, drop in Noon – 3 p.m.**

Create clay sculptures after viewing the art. Recommended for children ages 12 and under, accompanied by an adult.

***ART TALK* March 2, 5:30 p.m**

Shelton Woods, PhD, Associate Dean, College of Social Sciences and Public Affairs, Boise State University, shares his expertise on Chinese history and culture through a discussion of the collection.

Boise Art Museum is located downtown in Julia Davis Park. **HOURS** Tuesday - Saturday, 10 AM - 5 PM and Sunday, Noon - 5 PM. Thursdays: 10 AM - 8 PM. Open 10 AM - 9 PM the first Thursday of each month, featuring FREE admission all day. **ADMISSION** \$5 General, \$3 Seniors (62+) and full time college students, \$1 kids grades 1- 12. Kids under 6 and Museum members are always free. ***Through an agreement with Boise State University, BSU students get in FREE with their current, valid BSU Student ID Card, now through 5/5/06.***

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