

# Hope for Haiti



**Henri Jean-Louis**, 54, painting in his destroyed neighborhood of Musseau, in Port-au-Prince. The painting shows a refugee camp emerging from a lush green Haitian countryside. He explains, "I can no longer paint simple, decorative paintings. The world has to know about the sufferings, the apocalyptic Haiti. Generations must remember."

## **A RARE OPPORTUNITY TO COLLECT HAITIAN ART**

**Synergy Art Foundation** invites you to a very special fundraiser for the artists' communities in Haiti. We are raising funds for two specific artists' colonies which were completely wiped out. Proceeds will go directly to two arts organizations.

**Atis-Rezistans**, which was located in the poorest neighborhood of Port-au-Prince, presented the world's first 'Ghetto Biennale' four weeks before the earthquake and won international notoriety for its success.

All participating artists including children lost their homes and studios, and several master artists perished together with an untold number of artworks.

**The Angel of Haiti Project**, located in Jacmel on the south east coast, established and maintained a school for the most impoverished children for this region. Founded by Haitian-born and raised Dr. Carole Juan Murat, this organization established a project in 2002 called La Journée des Enfants Pour la Paix (The Children's Day for Peace) in which 1,000 children are invited to participate in a day of art, including prizes, music, free breakfast, lunch and fresh water. Synergy Art Foundation is proudly featuring many of these magnificent, "naïve" children's artworks very reasonably priced, the proceeds of which will be returned directly to this organization. Dr. Carole will be our very special guest at the event and will talk about the importance of rebuilding the school.

Also for sale at the event will be **some** artworks by several Haitian masters, including Laurenceau, Claude Dambreville, Prefete Duffaut and others, as well as many assorted and affordable Haitian objets d'art. Artful photographs capturing the essence of Haiti's people and landscape (before the earthquake), by local photographer Bill Wechter, will also be for sale.

The event is free with a suggested donation of **\$10**, which gives you two raffle tickets.

**When: 6:00 - 10:00 p.m. Saturday, March 20th 2010**

Venue: **Losina Art Center**, 3350 Sports Arena Blvd., Suite A, San Diego, CA 92110  
(Located behind the old Black Angus Restaurant, adjacent to the Sport Arena Parking Lot) - plenty of parking available.