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## **Egg decorating workshop will be presented by the Department of Agriculture There is still time to enter DDA's White House Decorated Egg Contest**

The Delaware Department of Agriculture is calling all ages, crafters, painters, and artists to participate in the 2006 Delaware White House Decorated Egg Contest. To prepare for the contest, the Department is hosting a free Egg decorating workshop on Tuesday, October 11, at 10 a.m., at the Modern Maturity Center in Dover. An experienced egg artist will demonstrate the basics of egg decorating from preparing the egg for decorating to decorating techniques. The registration deadline for the Delaware White House Decorated Egg Contest has been extended to October 11. Decorated eggs are due at the Delaware Department of Agriculture on November 11.

The Egg Decorating contest is open to any Delaware resident interested in pursuing the art of egg decorating. The winning egg will received \$100 and an invitation from the White House to see the state eggs displayed with a welcome reception by the First Lady.

Each year since 1994, each state sends a decorated egg to the White House for display. Local crafters and artists create decorated eggs which represent each state and the District of Columbia. Eggs can be decorated in any fashion using paints, beads, decoupage, etching, carving, and more.

Delaware's winning egg is currently on display at the White House in Washington, DC. To see the egg you can view this website address: <http://www.whitehouse.gov/easter/2005/eggsbystate/index.html>

If you are interested in attending the Egg Decorating workshop please contact Cindy Davis or Anne Fitzgerald at 1-800-282-8685 (DE only) or 302-698-4500, or via email [anne.fitzgerald@state.de.us](mailto:anne.fitzgerald@state.de.us).

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