

Brooks to head housing services

David R. Brooks, now a community development director in Albany, Ga., will become Winston-Salem's housing services director effective Nov. 4.

Brooks has worked as community development director in Albany for three and one-half years. From July 1978 to April 1982 he was housing rehabilitation coordinator in Charleston, S.C.

He was housing adviser and property manager in Alexandria, Va., from 1975 to 1978. He also served as a program assistant and intern for the Department of Housing and Urban Development in Washington in 1975.

Brooks is a graduate of Howard University and earned his master's degree in education.

He will be in charge of developing and administering the city's community housing services programs.

Brooks says he is looking forward to beginning his new post in Winston-Salem.

"I think my new position will be a very challenging one," says Brooks. "Although I've been in this field for over 10 years, I feel that every new position offers its own particular circumstances that have to be addressed.

"My interest is to add to the community development programs whatever experiences I have attained over the past several years. I want to assist the city in preserving the housing stock and making whatever contributions I can."

SECCA to present 'Flower and Hawk'

The Southeastern Center for Contemporary Art will present "Flower and Hawk," a monodrama for a soprano, Oct. 30 at 8 p.m.

Created by opera composer Carlisle Floyd, it will be performed by soprano Matilda Nickel under the direction of Norman Johnson.

"Flower and Hawk" is based on the life of Eleanor of Aquitaine, one of the most powerful and influential women of the Middle Ages, who was queen of France and England during the 12th century.

Floyd has been called America's leading opera composer, and his first full-length opera, "Susannah," won the New York Music Critics Circle Award for the best opera in 1956.

The performance will be held in the Main Gallery of SECCA, 750 Marguerite Drive. Tickets are \$5 for SECCA members, students and senior citizens. General admission is \$6.

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