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Mississippi Egg Marketing Board Presents Mustard Seed Easter Eggs to First Lady Deborah Bryant

To celebrate the Easter season, the Mississippi Egg Marketing Board recently presented First Lady Deborah Bryant with seven eggs decorated by The Mustard Seed community members.

In the past, the Mississippi Egg Marketing Board conducted a public contest to find the perfect Easter egg to deliver to Bryant. However, this year the board worked with The Mustard Seed, a Christian community for adults with developmental disabilities, to create the eggs.

Seven Mustard Seed community members were given the opportunity to decorate an egg that represents the various regions of the state of Mississippi and its culture. The egg descriptions and artists were “I love music” by Logan Chew, “Teddy Bear” by Savannah Wilson, “It’s my beautiful state” by Caroline Stone, “Anchors away in the Mississippi River” by Megan Schmidt, “Lighthouse and Sailboats” by Charlie Winstead, “Cotton Boll” by Ricky Fleming and “Lonesome Pines” by Linda Byrd.

All seven artists, along with the Mississippi Egg Marketing Board and Mississippi Agriculture and Commerce Commissioner Cindy Hyde-Smith, were invited to the Governor’s mansion to present Bryant with the Easter eggs.

“Allowing The Mustard Seed community members to create the Easter eggs and present them to the first lady was a wonderful idea,” Hyde-Smith said. “It was easy to see it meant a lot to the artists to be honored for their work. I am thrilled I was able to be a part of the presentation.”

For more information about the Mississippi Egg Marketing Board, contact Jennifer Thompson at (601) 359-1144 or email jennifer@mdac.ms.gov.

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Mississippi Governor Phil Bryant and First Lady Deborah Bryant accepted seven decorated Easter Eggs from Mississippi Egg Marketing Board members Gene Robertson, Board President Alan Andrews and Jennifer Thompson, Mississippi Agriculture and Commerce Commissioner Cindy Hyde-Smith and Mustard Seed community members Linda Byrd, Ricky Fleming, Caroline Stone, Savannah Wilson, Logan Chew, Charlie Winstead and Megan Schmidt.