

# THE DAYTON ART INSTITUTE



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## SPECIAL EVENTS HIGHLIGHT 90<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION AT THE DAYTON ART INSTITUTE

(DAYTON, OHIO) – June 29, 2009 – In celebration of its 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, The Dayton Art Institute is highlighting its own permanent collection, with the exhibition *90 Treasures: From the Collection of the Dayton Art Institute*, on view now through December 31.

A variety of special events and programs have been planned in conjunction with *90 Treasures*.

For additional information and updates about the following events, visit [www.daytonartinstitute.org](http://www.daytonartinstitute.org) or call 937-223-5277.

### TOURS, TALKS & SPECIAL EVENTS:

- **Sound Bites: Short Talks about our 90 Treasures**  
Saturdays at 2:30 p.m. – Meet in the General Motors Entrance Rotunda  
The *90 Treasures* are the focus of these FREE 20 minute gallery conversations, held weekly and led by The Dayton Art Institute's veteran docents:

**July 11:** Glass Gallery

**July 18:** Outdoor Sculpture (In case of rain: American Impressionism)

**July 25:** Asian Art

**August 1:** Baroque Art

**August 8:** Contemporary Art

**August 15:** African Art

**August 22:** Antiquities

**August 29:** Late 19th-Century European Art

- **Tour and Tea**

Participate in a docent-led tour of *90 Treasures*, and then enjoy a traditional tea with a tea sandwich medley, miniature scones with preserves and assorted sweets.

Tour at 1:00 p.m., Tea at 2:00 p.m.

Cost: \$15 (includes tax & gratuity)

Registration required: Contact Mary Eberle at 937-512-0152 or e-mail

[educate@daytonartinstitute.org](mailto:educate@daytonartinstitute.org)

**Wednesday, July 15**

**Friday, August 14**

**Thursday, September 10**

**Wednesday, October 21**

- **What Makes a Treasure?**

Sunday, August 30, 2:00 p.m.

FREE

Join Dayton Art Institute Chief Curator Will South and his colleagues who lent their expertise in choosing the *90 Treasures* from our collection. Learn why each chose the artworks that he or she did and what makes them treasures.

- **Art, Music and History: Trumpets Tell the Story**

Sunday, November 15, 2:00 p.m.

NCR Renaissance Auditorium

FREE

Trumpeters Ashley Hall and Nathan Tighe take you on a whirlwind tour of visual arts - from cave paintings to the present - with highlights from music history and The Dayton Art Institute's permanent collection.

- **Guide by Cell – Cell phone tour of the *90 Treasures***

Ongoing

Bring your charged cell phone to the museum and learn more about the *90 Treasures* from the experts who selected the works.

#### **SPECIAL ACTIVITIES AT THE MUSEUM:**

- **A Family Art Adventure – *Looking for Treasures***

Ongoing

Families may pick up a complimentary gallery hunt at the Visitor Services Desk and have fun while they discover the many treasures on view at the museum.

- **Amazing Art Race**

Ongoing - Beginning August 1

Come alone, as a family or in a group and participate in the Amazing Art Race. Follow clues to discover a hidden message while exploring the *90 Treasures*.

- **Treasures, Memories and a Raffle**

Visitors will be asked to pick the museum's top three treasures and to share their Dayton Art Institute memories with us. Those who participate will be entered in a raffle to win a beautiful piece of jewelry, generously donated by **James Free Jewelers** in honor of our 90th Anniversary.

#### **EVENTS INSPIRED BY THE 90 TREASURES\*:**

A number of special events have been inspired by specific works in the *90 Treasures* exhibition. Visit [www.daytonartinstitute.org](http://www.daytonartinstitute.org) for updates and additional information about each of the following:

- ***Waterlilies* by Claude Monet**

Join the Miami Valley Water Gardening Society and Green Vista Water Gardens of Springfield for *Water Gardens and the Miami Valley*, a fun program on water gardens and plants.

Saturday, July 18, Noon – 2 p.m., Italian Cloister

- ***African Slit Gong, Lobala People***

Drum Ceremony & African Dance Demonstrations

POSTPONED – Date TBA

- ***Colima Dog***

The Humane Society of Greater Dayton will be on hand to help celebrate the “dog days” of summer and the animals in our collection. Meet adoptable pets from the Human Society, go on a Gallery Hunt and participate in a hands-on art project.

Saturday, August 8, 1 – 3 p.m.

- ***Miroku Bosatsu (Japanese)***

Yoga at the Museum

Thursday, September 10, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m., Italian Cloister

*RSVP required – call 223-5277 or register online at [www.daytonartinstitute.org](http://www.daytonartinstitute.org)*

- ***Mrs. Michael Kepple* by Gilbert Stuart**

Women's Health & Wellness presentation by Kettering Medical Center Staff

Saturday, October 3, noon – 2 p.m.

- ***Dance of the Almeh* by Jean-Léon Gérôme**

Belly dancing demonstrations & lessons

Sunday, October 11 – *time to be announced*

- ***The Stars Neighboring the North Pole* by Joseph Cornell**

Star-Gazing & Astronomy demonstrations with the Miami Valley Astronomical Society

Thursday, December 3, 6 – 8 p.m.

- ***The Holy Family with a Donor in a Landscape* by Pier Francesco Bissolo**

Family Portraits at the museum by Photographik Inc.

Saturday, December 5, 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Great Hall

- ***A Boy Violinist* by Hendrick Terbrugghen**

Violin Players in the museum galleries

Saturday, December 12 & 19, noon – 1:00 p.m. each day

- ***Dinner at the Casino* by Gaston La Touche**

Enter to win dinner for eight on the balcony at The Dayton Art Institute

*Register at the museum through December 31*

*\* Events subject to change – visit [www.daytonartinstitute.org](http://www.daytonartinstitute.org) or call 937-223-5277 for more information.*

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For more information about this exhibition and other programs at The Dayton Art Institute, please visit [www.daytonartinstitute.org](http://www.daytonartinstitute.org).

**ABOUT THE DAYTON ART INSTITUTE**

As one of the Miami Valley's premier fine art museums, The Dayton Art Institute — which is in its 90<sup>th</sup> year — offers a full range of programming in addition to exhibiting its collection. The galleries and Museum Store are open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday with extended hours on Thursday until 8 p.m. Free parking is available at the museum and the facility is fully accessible to physically-challenged visitors. CAFÉ MONET by Elegant Fare serves lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. For more information, please call 937-223-4278 or visit [www.daytonartinstitute.org](http://www.daytonartinstitute.org).

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