Biggs Museum Art of American

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The Free Three: Get ConnectED to Art with Chick-Fil-A November 2009 First Friday, Biggs Kids & Mini-Masters







Dover, DE – Please join the Biggs Museum at one of the several family-friendly educational programs to be offered in November 2009. On Friday, November 6, everyone is invited to celebrate the opening of a new exhibition dedicated to youth arts education in the state of Delaware. *Arts ConnectED* will feature student works in four month-long installments, beginning with Holy Cross Elementary in Dover, DE. Chick-Fila-A is joining in on the celebration by providing free food and refreshments to all visitors. On Saturday, November 7, *Biggs Kids* will celebrate the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday by creating turkeys. *Mini-Masters* will also create Thanksgiving turkeys on Wednesday, November 18.

About The Free Three

The Biggs Museum is proud to offer three free family-friendly programs every month in addition to presenting a collection of fine and decorative art to the public year-round and free of charge. Please visit the on-line Calendar of Events on the Museum web-site at www.biggsmuseum.org or register to receive our bi-monthly Calendar of Events in the mail to see more information regarding each month's programs.

On the first Friday of every month, the Biggs Museum, along with several other members of the Dover arts community, serve as a venue for downtown Dover's *First Friday* program. *First Friday* is an effort to bring the public downtown the first Friday of every month to enjoy local art venues and activities. The Biggs Museum offers a free, family-

friendly program each month. First Friday programs include First Look Party!'s, lectures, curator-led tours, interactive activities, and performances. Pre-registration may or may not be required for the *First Friday* program. Please see the Calendar of Events or contact the Museum for more information.

Biggs Kids and Mini-Masters are free youth educational programs open to the public and are held in the programs gallery at the Museum. Biggs Kids is held on the first Saturday of every month from 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. for children ages 5-10. Mini-Masters is held on the third Wednesday of every month from 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. for children ages 3-5. Different art activities are planned each month for children to experience and enjoy art and the Museum. **Pre-registration is required** for both Mini-Masters and Biggs Kids. Please call 674-2111 or fill out a registration form on-line at www.biggsmuseum.org in the Biggs Kids section. Biggs Kids and Mini-Masters are supported by the Delaware Division of the Arts and Kraft Foods Inc.

Event Quick-Stats

Event: First Friday: First Look pARTy!: Arts ConnectED to Holy Cross Elementary

School

Date: Friday, November 6 **Time:** 3:00-6:00 p.m. **Price:** Free, All Ages

Description: Celebrate youth talent in the arts and by being the first to look at one of four month-long installments of the Arts ConnectED exhibition. The artwork featured

was created by student of Holy Cross Elementary School of Dover, DE. Light refreshments. Food and beverage provided by Chick-Fila of Camden, DE.

Event: Biggs Kids: Gobble, Gobble!

Date: Saturday, November 7

Time: 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Price: Free, Children Ages 5-10

Description: Celebrate Thanksgiving and create a turkey for your upcoming feast!

Event: Mini-Masters: Gobble, Gobble! Date: Wednesday, November 18

Time: 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Price: Free, Children Ages 3-5

Description: Celebrate Thanksgiving and create a turkey for your upcoming feast!

About the Museum

The Biggs Museum seeks to serve a diverse public as a regional museum of fine and decorative arts, made from 1700 to present, representing the State of Delaware and the surrounding Mid-Atlantic region. The Biggs Museum engages audiences through a compelling program of temporary exhibitions and programming. The Biggs Museum encourages the development of creativity and an appreciation for art by offering a

comprehensive slate of educational programming for all ages. The Biggs Museum of American Art is a private, non-profit 501(c) (3) organization.

Hours of Operation: Tuesday through Saturday; 9:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Sunday; 1:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m.

Admission: Biggs Museum is free to the public year-round. Fees may apply to certain programs and special events.

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Top Images:

Left: Mini-Masters: June 2009 Center: Mini-Masters: July 2009

Right: Award Winner IX First Look! pARTy: July 2009