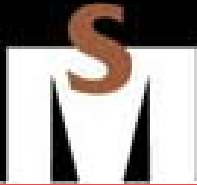


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Eighth Annual Purim Mask Invitational

MARCH 16 - APRIL 20, 2014



The creativity of Tulsa area school children is evident among the hundreds of masks on exhibit through April 20th for the Eighth Annual Purim Mask Invitational. The competing masks were juried by a panel of local art experts, with winners selected in six separate age divisions and a "Best of Show" award.

Selection for inclusion in the Museum's permanent collection is the Best of Show mask created by Nicole Donahue from Victory Christian School. Divisional winners include: Division 1, Curry Crouch from Lake Country Christian School; Division 2, Kailey Brooks from Lake Country Christian School; Division 3, Brynley Smith from Lake Country Christian school; Division 4, Cori Collet from All Saints Catholic School; Division 5, Jimmy Watson from Monte Cassino Catholic School; and Division 6, Tory Rowan from Inola High School.

The Eighth Annual Purim Mask Invitational exhibit will be on display at the Museum until April 20, 2014.



Butterfly Making Family Art Workshop

Sunday, April 27 / 1:00 p.m.- 2:00 p.m.

The Sherwin Miller Museum of Jewish Art

the **SEXUALITY** spectrum

HEBREW UNION COLLEGE - JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION MUSEUM, NEW YORK

EXTENDED UNTIL APRIL 23, 2014
THE SHERWIN MILLER MUSEUM OF JEWISH ART



Exhibition extended until April 23, 2014

The Sexuality Spectrum offers a groundbreaking exploration of sexual orientation through the creativity of over fifty international contemporary artists. Artists including Judy Chicago, Joan Snyder, Arthur Tress, Archie Rand, Albert Winn, Trix Rosen, Joan Roth, and Mark Podwal explore a broad range of subjects: the evolving social and religious attitudes toward sexuality; issues of alienation, marginalization, and inclusion; the impact on the family, child-rearing, and life stages; violence and persecution; AIDS/HIV; and the influence of the LGBTQI community on the Jewish and larger world.

Judy Chicago and Estelle Yarinsky reference Nazi persecution of gay victims during the Holocaust, as documented in Richard Grune's rare wartime lithograph. Josh Lehrer captures haunting portraits of transgender youths in New York City. Helene Aylon, Susan Kaplow and Trix Rosen expose and refute the

Biblical quotes in Leviticus that have engendered discrimination and intolerance, while Archie Rand looks to the Biblical David and Jonathan, and prophet and warrior Deborah for other perspectives.

Curator Laura Kruger explained, "The Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion Museum staff held numerous focus groups with artists, asking them to share their intimate feelings concerning their lives as LGBTQI in the community, including their faith-based experiences. We frequently heard incidents of marginalization, isolation, and exclusion. They shared their long years of concealment as well as the wrenching experience of 'coming out,' their relationships with family members, employers, and friendships that disintegrated; and the search for life-long partners."

Tribute Recognitions

Tributes are a meaningful way to honor a special occasion or to remember loved ones. Donations to The Sherwin Miller Museum of Jewish Art provide for permanent and traveling exhibitions and educational programs. Focusing on the heritage, history and culture of the Jewish people, The Miller helps deepen perception and understanding through art.

In Memory of

Goldie Cash

Sharon & Fred Benjamin

Katherine & Lynn Frame

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Sherwin Miller

Shirley & Norman Levin

Rosalee Minsky

Marcia Minsky

In Honor of

Irving Fenster

Marcia Minsky

Katharine Miller

Shirley & Norman Levin

Endowment

Lori & Mike Cohen

Nancy & Mark Lobo

Birthday

Lori Frank

Nancy & Mark Lobo

Evelyn Gross

Fred Strauss

Ruth Litwin

Fred Strauss

Gilda Hesdorffer

Fred Strauss

Hanna Hochster

Fred Strauss

Lucy Munden

Fred Strauss

Hal Power

Fred Strauss

Don Rotenberg

Anne & Stan Shapiro

Leon Zetley

Fred Strauss

Highlights from the Stay and Play at the Performing Arts Center Sponsored by the Children's Museum!



Tours

Despite bad weather at the beginning of the month, February was another busy month for tours. There were 18 scheduled tours and 2 drop in groups for a total of 363 students and 135 adults. Education Coordinator Tracey Herst-Woods helped 221 of those students participate in our Kinder-Stone Project.

Groups came from Greenwood Arkansas United Methodist Church, Street School, Youth Services of Tulsa Youth Leadership, Phoenix Rising Alternative School, a Camp Fire troop, three groups from TCC South, a Girl Scout Troop, Stillwater Middle School, Saints Peter and Paul School, Oklahoma Methodist Manor, San Miguel Middle School, Friends of Mary Jo Neal, Langston University, Survivors Women Group, Tulsa Met High School, Broken Bow Middle School, Montereau, and University Village. February docents were Dennis Chambers, Drew Diamond, Shirley Dormant, Bob Golan, Al Langer, Mark Lobo, Mary Jo Neal, Stan Shapiro, Ed Sherman, and John Sieler.

Another batch of icy and cold weather hampered tour activity the first week of March, but after the weather cleared, tours began again. Docent-led tours in March were from Regent Preparatory School, Legacy Home School Co-op, Northeastern State University, Bartlesville's Wesleyan Christian School, students from Congregation B'nai Emunah, DAR Osage Hills Chapter, John Knox Presbyterian, Parish of Christ the King and South Grand Lake Christian Church. There were 96 students (37 of whom participated in the Kinder-Stone Project) and 101 adults who toured the Museum. March docents were Dennis Chambers, Shirley Dormont, Bob Golan, Al Langer, Mark Lobo, Aaron Pope, Stan Shapiro, and John Sieler.

On March 27, the Eighth Annual Purim Mask Invitational Awards Presentation was held. Over 125 student-artists and their families joined Museum members to celebrate at this annual reception.

Education Coordinator Tracey Herst-Woods and Volunteer Coordinator Cathey Wilson introduced the Sherwin Miller Museum, Mizel Jewish Community Day School and Camp Shalom to 300-plus students and adults at the PAC for the Stay and Play on Sunday, March 30 during the Maxwell Street Experience. Students enjoyed making Purim Masks as part of the Miller Kids Art Program. Board members Cynthia Thetge and Nancy Pettus were also there to lend a hand.

If you would like to book a docent-led tour or to check for an available date, please contact Volunteer Coordinator Cathey Wilson at 918.492.1818 or email her at volunteer@jewishmuseum.net.

Volunteer Opportunities

Docents

A comprehensive training program prepares each docent to lead tours for both school groups and general audiences. Throughout the year, tours are scheduled at various times during the week and on Sundays, providing a flexible schedule for volunteers.

Docents take groups through exhibits related to the Holocaust, Jewish History and Culture, and the temporary art exhibits.

Anyone wishing to become a docent should contact Docent Chairman Stan Shapiro, Executive Director Drew Diamond, or Volunteer Coordinator Cathey Wilson at 918.492.1818. Those interested will be given an information manual regarding the Holocaust and Jewish History and Culture, and will need to be available to shadow docents leading tours and to attend the art exhibit orientations with Dr. York, and monthly meetings of the Committee of Docents.

Front Desk Volunteers

Consider volunteering to welcome and direct visitors to the Museum, answer phones and visitor inquiries. In addition, front desk volunteers help process admission and merchandise sales and assist staff with special events. Front desk shifts are normally three hours in length, and a variety of weekday or Sunday hours are available to volunteers, in rotation.

Volunteers perform numerous duties essential to the success of the Museum, helping avoid salary and labor costs often associated with day-to-day activities and exhibit installation. Training is provided to volunteers for areas throughout the Museum.

If you're interested in volunteering for the Museum with other dedicated, caring, enthusiastic, and friendly volunteers and staff, please contact the Volunteer Coordinator Cathey Wilson at 918.492.1818 or email volunteer@jewishmuseum.net

**Fig Cafe and Bakery
Closed for Passover
April 14 - April 22**

Regular Hours of Operation

11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Monday thru Friday

Now serving soups, salads,
sandwiches & desserts

in the Lobby of the Charles Schusterman JCC

Passover Hours



*Swed Masters Workshop
Passover Seder Plate, Matzah Holder,
and Prophet Elijah's Cup
Silver, 22K Gold Overlay*

*This elaborate set is used during the Passover Seder dinner.
The pull-out trays hold the three matzot, the round dishes
hold the traditional ceremonial foods, and there is a
symbolic cup of wine for the Prophet Elijah.*

Closed Monday, April 14 at Noon

**Closed Tuesday & Wednesday,
April 15 & 16**

**Open Thursday & Friday, April 17 & 18
from 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

Closed Saturday, April 19

**Open Sunday, April 20
from 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

**Closed Monday & Tuesday,
April 21 & 22**



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Regular Museum Hours

Monday-Friday, 10:00am - 5:00pm

Closed Saturday in observance of Shabbat

Sunday, 1:00pm - 5:00pm