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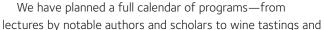
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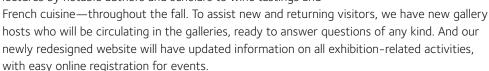
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DIRECTOR'S CORNER

"The French are coming!" This has been the call to arms at the Figge during the past year, as we have worked to prepare for *French Moderns, Monet to Matisse, 1850–1950*, one of the most exciting exhibitions in the museum's history. With the support of our generous donors and sponsors, and the enthusiastic participation of dozens of organizations across the Quad Cities, this fall will truly be a celebration of all things French in the Quad Cities. It is also a celebration of our rich and diverse cultural and educational community, which has responded so readily to our invitation to join us in the project.





But beyond *French Moderns*, we have more reasons to celebrate! On the fourth floor, *William L. Hawkins: An Imaginative Geography* is a major retrospective of the artist's work and the first nationally touring show organized by the Figge. The exhibition catalogue, created in partnership with the prominent publisher SKIRA, will be distributed worldwide.

In the Katz Gallery, we celebrate a native son, John Bloom, while in the Lewis Gallery, we are showcasing the recent gift of a collection of prints by Rufino Tamayo from the estate of Dennis and Patricia Miller.

And the action is not confined to our building. This summer, a new type of visitor began touring the Figge's galleries—patients undergoing chemotherapy at Genesis Health System Cancer Care Center.

Through a unique partnership with Genesis and Living Proof Exhibit, patients can "drive" a robot through the galleries using only a laptop, with the assistance of a facilitator in the infusion center and a Figge staff member or volunteer at the museum. The robot enables them to view and zoom in on the works of art, while discussing the exhibition with their guide. The robot, christened "Genie," was acquired through support from Genesis, while Living Proof Exhibit, a nonprofit whose mission is to help cancer patients through exposure to the arts, has assisted with the logistics of making the program available to the patients.

When the Davenport Municipal Art Gallery opened to the public in October 1925, the Davenport Daily Times proclaimed that "Art is a free gift to humanity opening the eyes and heart to higher concepts." Ninety-three years later, with *French Moderns*, Genie the Robot and so much more, we continue to explore all the possibilities that "bringing art and people together" can mean.

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William L. Hawkins An Imaginative Geography

SEPTEMBER 22-DECEMBER 30, 2018 • FIRST AND FOURTH FLOOR GALLERIES

From his pictures of exotic wild animals to dramatic depictions of the major buildings in his hometown of Columbus. Ohio. artist William Hawkins always wanted his pictures to sweep viewers off their feet. Organized by the Figge Art Museum, William L. Hawkins: An Imaginative Geography is the first major exhibition in more than a decade to feature this fascinating autodidact, presenting his varied work with important examples from his favorite types of subject matter.

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Hawkins explored the

world through mass media and then re-presented it to the public with a uniquely expressive bravado. He appropriated most of his subjects from drawings and photographic reproductions which he collected from newspapers, books, calendars, magazines and other popular print media.

Simplifying the forms and heightening the colors, he elaborated passages with vigorous, swirling brushwork. He also taught himself sophisticated techniques such as scumbling, which he used to great effect. As he became more successful, Hawkins began to collage magazine clippings and found objects into his paintings. He also developed a technique he called "puffing up": building shapes up from the painting surface by mixing cornmeal into the enamel paint.

Drawn from important public and private collections across the United States and Europe, William L. Hawkins: An Imaginative Geography includes 54 of Hawkins's most important paintings, some well-known and others rarely seen. The exhibition will cover all of Hawkins's favorite subject matter, including cityscapes, landscapes, exotic places, animals, current events, historic and religious scenes. The exhibition also will include one of his rare freestanding sculptural assemblages.

Hawkins left a large body of drawings, 10 of which are in the exhibition. Also featured are many of Hawkins's most powerful paintings, including Prudential NYC and two versions each of Ohio Stadium, Red Dog Running, Tasmanian Tiger and other iconic subjects.

One of the more remarkable accomplishments of this exhibition is that it brings together eight of the nine known versions of Hawkins's Last Supper, one of his best-known subjects.

ABOUT WILLIAM HAWKINS

Hawkins probably started drawing as a child and began

painting seriously in the 1970s, first with found paint on found supports and later with sign painter's enamel on standard-sized Masonite boards. In 1981 a friend entered several of Hawkins's paintings in the Ohio State Fair. His painting Atlas Building #2 was awarded a prize and subsequently purchased by the contest's judge, painter Robert Natkin.

Since his death. Hawkins's work has been featured in several solo exhibitions as well as in dozens of group shows.

COMPANION EVENTS

Thursday, September 20



5:30 Reception

6:30 p.m. Curator Talk: Susan Mitchell Crawley

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6:30 p.m. Thursday, October 4



Curator Talk: Andrew Wallace • See page 10

Exhibition Tours

Saturday, September 22 • Sunday, September 30 and October 7

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French Moderns

Monet to Matisse, 1850-1950

OCTOBER 9, 2018 - JANUARY 6, 2019 • THIRD FLOOR GALLERY

This exhibition is organized by the Brooklyn Museum

French Moderns brings together 60 priceless masterworks by some of the world's most treasured artists— Monet, Cézanne, Renoir, Degas and others—to tell the story of the rise of Impressionism and modern art.

The exhibition begins with the academic painters of the 19th century, such as Gérôme and Bouguereau, then moves on to artists who turned to nature for their inspiration, such as Corot, Millet and Boudin, paving the way for the experiments of the Impressionists. It features works by all the leading Impressionists and their colleagues, such as Morisot, Sisley and Caillebotte, as well as artists from England, Italy and Germany who aligned themselves with the movement. Also included are

iconic sculptural works by Auguste Rodin and Edgar Degas.

With their focus on views of everyday life and their use of bright color and bold brushwork, the Impressionists ushered in a period of tremendous innovation in the visual arts. Matisse, Bonnard, Chagall, Léger and Dufy pioneered new approaches to imagemaking, as did artists from elsewhere in Europe, such as Gabrielle Münter and Chaim Soutine, all included in the exhibition. For visitors of all ages and backgrounds, *French Moderns* offers a walk through one of the most exciting centuries in the history of art.

The presentation of *French Moderns* marks a new milestone in the Figge's



Édouard Manet (French, 1832-1883), Young Girl on a Bench (Fillette sur un Banc), 1880, oil on canvas, 29 1/2 24 in. (97.2 x 83.8cm), Brooklyn Museum, Collection of The Rita and Alex Hillman Foundation, L2009.5.9 (Photo: Brooklyn Museum)

ongoing efforts to bring world-class art exhibitions to the people of the Quad Cities. It is made possible by donors to a new Major Exhibitions Endowment, which will fund the presentation of a landmark exhibition at the Figge every other year, as well as by corporate and individual sponsors.

To celebrate this special exhibition, the Figge has planned three months of lectures, gallery programs and family activities. In addition, dozens of community organizations, large and small, are joining the fun by presenting their own French Modern programs, which will be listed in a special calendar in print and online. Watch for it in your mailbox or visit www.figgeartmuseum.org.

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Camille Jacob Pissarro (French, 1830–1903), *The Climb, Rue de la Côte-du-Jalet, Pontoise (Chemin montant, rue de la Côte-du-Jalet, Pointoise)*, 1875, oil on canvas, 21 1/4 x 25 7/8 in. (54 x 65.7 cm). Brooklyn Museum, Purchased with funds given by Dikran G. Kelekian, 22.60. (Photo: Brooklyn Museum)



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Pierre-Auguste Renoir (French, 1841-1919), *Still Life with Blue Cup*, ca. 1900, oil on canvas, 6 x 13 1/8 in. (15.2 x 33.3 cm), Brooklyn Museum, Bequest of Laura L. Barnes, 67.24.19, (Photo: Sarah DeSantis, Brooklyn Museum)

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French Moderns Programs and Events at the Figge

All paid events require registration • Contact Sara Morby at 563.345.6642 or smorby@figgeartmuseum.org For other French Modern events, classes and programs, look for the symbol throughout the newsletter.

Member Appreciation Weekend

Saturday, October 6 and Sunday, October 7 The French Moderns exhibition will be open only to Figge members.

Figge Member Family Brunch

10 a.m. Saturday, October 6 \$20 per adult/\$5 per child Register at www.figgeartmuseum.org or call 563.345.6642

Join us for a festive family brunch to celebrate the exhibition opening, with drop-in tours in the gallery.

Figge Member Brunch with **Ballet Quad Cities**

10 a.m. Sunday, October 7 \$40 per adult/\$20 per child Register at www.figgeartmuseum.org or call 563.345.6642

Enjoy delicious French-inspired cuisine and a performance by the Ballet Quad Cities of its own creation, "Paris en Pointe: Bolero," featuring the classic music of Ravel.

Curator Talk: Lisa Small



Thursday, October 11 4 p.m. Happy Hour Menu 5:30 p.m. Reception 6:30 p.m. Curator Talk

Cost: FREE See page 10

Crepe Breakfast with Brooklyn Museum Curator Lisa Small

8 a.m. Friday, October 12 \$30 per person Register at www.figgeartmuseum.org or call 563.345.6642

Lisa Small, senior curator of European art, Brooklyn Museum, and co-curator of the exhibition, will discuss the selection of works, and how they tell the story of the changes in French art, and in society.

Brunch Program with Dr. Marni Kessler

Sunday, October 14 10 a.m. Brunch Noon Presentation in auditorium \$35 per person Register at www.figgeartmuseum.org or call 563.345.6642

Nineteenth-century Paris was a center of innovation in science, medicine, art, music and literature. Under the direction of Napoleon III, Baron Haussman radically reconfigured the city, cutting through medieval neighborhoods to create the broad, elegant avenues that still define the city. Marni Kessler, Ph.D., associate professor of art history at the University of Kansas, will discuss the urban life of 19th-century Paris as depicted by the artists of the time in her talk, "Paris: Capital of the 19th Century."

Kali Yuga Improvisation Ensemble

Thursday, October 18 4 p.m. Happy Hour Menu 6:30 p.m. Introductory Remarks, followed by a performance Cost: FREE See page 10

Talk with Dr. Jonathan Petropoulos

5 p.m. Sunday, October 21 \$35 per person Register at www.figgeartmuseum.org or call 563.345.6642

Join Dr. Jonathan Petropoulos for cocktails and dinner, followed by his presentation of "From Patronage to Nazi Plunder: French Modern Art and the Jews. A Complicated History." Dr. Petropoulos is the John V. Croul Professor of European History at Claremont McKenna College in California. His talk will examine inextricable link between the rise of modernism in the

late-nineteenth and early-twentieth century and Jewish cultural accomplishment. This program is possible thanks to the generous support of the Jewish Federation of the Quad Cities.

An Evening with Ross King

5:30 p.m. Sunday, November 4 John Deere Auditorium \$15 per person Register at www.figgeartmuseum.org or call 563.345.6642

Ross King, author of bestselling books on the history of art, including *The Judgment* of Paris: The Revolutionary Decade that Gave the World Impressionism, will speak about Manet and his circle, and the social and political movements that influenced their work.

Lunch and Lecture with Ross King

11 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday, November 5 Cost: \$35

Register at www.figgeartmuseum.org or call 563.345.6642

Ross King will discuss his latest book, Mad Enchantment: Claude Monet and the Painting of the Water Lilies, which chronicles Monet's struggle to create his last cycle of paintings of his lily ponds and gardens at Giverny, which were finally purchased by the French Government for display at the L'Orangerie in Paris.

Art Historian Talk: 69 **Dr. Pamela White**



6:30 p.m. Thursday, November 8 Cost: FREE See page 11

Ballet Quad Cities Performance

Sample a little Paris en Pointe: Debussy 6:30 p.m. Thursday, November 15 Cost: FREE See page 11



Jean-François Millet, French, 1814–1875, Shepherd Tending His Flock, early 1860s, oil on canvas, 32 3/16 x 39 9/16 in. (81.8 x 100.5 cm), Brooklyn Museum, Bequest of William H. Herriman

French Fridays

Select Fridays: October 26,
November 23 and December 28
The museum will be open until 9 p.m. for a special French evening. Museum admission required. Figge Docents will be available to answer questions in the exhibition from 6:30–8 p.m., with a tour for museum visitors at 7 p.m. French-themed dinners will be offered; reservations required (see French Modern Dinners at right).

French Modern Dinners

Select Fridays: October 26, November 23 and December 28 5-8 p.m. in the Figge Café \$48 per person

Please allow 1.5 hours for dinner Reservations: 563.345.6647

Enjoy a special evening at the Figge with an elegant French dinner with friends and family. After dinner, join a docent-led tour in the galleries. Tours begin at 7 p.m.

French Modern Wine Events

Figge Café • Call 563.345.6647 for reservations

Wine & Cheese Tasting 3-5 p.m. Sunday, November 4 \$27 per person includes four tasting sections

Crème Brulee Cooking Class 3-5 p.m. Sunday, November 11 \$30 per person includes two glasses of wine Wine & Cheese Tasting 3-5 p.m. Sunday, November 18 \$27 per person includes four

tasting sections

USA vs. FRANCE 3-5 p.m. Sunday, November 25 \$32 per person

Four wine and appetizer stations with wine tasting at each station. Vote for your favorite wine; blind tasting with the origin of the wine revealed at the conclusion.





Claude Monet on the waterlillies bridge at Giverny

Travel to France with the Figge this Spring

Informational Session: 5:30 p.m. Thursday, September 6 in the Figge Café

Join your Figge friends for a "French Moderns" tour of France this spring, leaving the Quad Cities on April 19 and returning on April 29. Flying to Nice, we will spend several days at artistic destinations in the South of France, including Matisse's Chapel of the Rosary, his last major work, Cézanne's studio at Aix en Provence, and the historic towns of Nimes, Arles and Avignon. Traveling to Paris on the high-speed train, our four-day stay will include visits to major Impressionist collections at the Musee d'Orsay, l'Orangerie, the Musee Marmottan, the Fondation Louis Vuitton, and the village of Giverny, home of Monet's studio, as well as other important Parisian destinations. Figge Trustee Wynne Schafer and Executive Director Tim Schiffer will lead the tour, with French guides at each stop. For more information, contact Heather Aaronson at haaronson@ figgeartmuseum.org or 563.345.6630.



JOHN BLOOM: CLOSE TO HOME

AUGUST 25, 2018-JANUARY 13, 2019 · KATZ GALLERY

John Bloom: Close to Home will feature more than 60 works of art by the beloved local artist. In addition to well-known paintings, the exhibition includes childhood drawings, sketches, woodcarvings and rarely seen industrial designs.

John Vincent Bloom (1906-2002) lived within 200 miles of the Quad Cities for most of his life. Memories from his childhood in the small town of DeWitt, lowa, often surfaced in his artwork, from his recollections of a swift escape from Sunday services at St. Joseph's to watching farmers at work in the fields.

At 18 years old, Bloom moved to Davenport and attended St. Ambrose College (now University) before enrolling at The Art Institute of Chicago in 1926. He attended Stone City Art Colony in 1932, where he met his future wife Isabel and studied with Grant Wood. He and Wood completed a number of mural commissions



together. Following Wood's example, Bloom was dedicated to celebrating Midwestern life in his artwork.

In addition to his celebrated paintings, sculptures and prints, Bloom's figure

sketches and examples of his work as an industrial designer will be on display, offering a new way to look at the familiar artist. An illustrated booklet, published with funds from the new William D. and Shirley J. Homrighausen Endowment for publications, will accompany the exhibition.

COMPANION EVENTS

Exhibition Tours

Saturday, September 15, 22 Sunday, September 16, 30 and October 7

EXHIBITION SPONSORS:



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Sue Quail The Reeg Group at R W Baird

Additional support for this exhibition has been provided by the William D. and Shirley J. Homrighausen Endowment

Living Proof Exhibit: A Visualization of Hope



Living Proof Exhibit 2016 reception

September 6-December 9 Community Gallery

Living Proof Exhibit: A Visualization of Hope showcases the passion, courage and talent of cancer survivors who use art as a way to celebrate and reflect upon survival. The artworks vary widely in their media and stylistic approaches, yet coalesce around the theme of hope. The exhibition is in collaboration with the non-profit organization Living Proof Exhibit, whose mission is to enrich the lives of those impacted by cancer through the therapeutic benefits of the arts. To learn more about Living Proof Exhibit, visit www.livingproofexhibit.org.

importance to contributing artists, cancer survivors and the Quad-City community.

Thursday, September 13 6 p.m. Exhibition Program

COMPANION EVENTS Thursday, September 6

Register: livingproofexhibit@gmail.com Ryan Collins, author and executive director of the Midwest Writing Center, will lead a writing activity in response to Living Proof Exhibit: A Visualization of Hope. Anyone from the community who has been impacted by cancer is invited to participate. The first 100 attendees will receive a journal.

5:30 p.m. Reception • 6:30 p.m. Gallery Talk

Linda Wastyn, board president of Living Proof

duce the artists present and speak about Living Proof Exhibit: A Visualization of Hope and its

Exhibit, will welcome everyone, after which Pamela Crouch, executive director, will intro-

Thursday, October 25 6-8 p.m. Creative Sessions: Beautiful Writing with Calligraphy Instructor: Dana Keeton Free; all materials provided Register: livingproofexhibit@gmail.com Join us for an evening of writing, wine, remembrance and celebration for all who have been touched by cancer, including survivors, families, friends and caregivers. Learn the art of calligraphy and master techniques to make memorable correspondence.

STUDIO 1 · William L. Hawkins

OCTOBER - Experience the big, bold, colorful creations of a larger-than-life artist whose paintings and sculptures celebrate the uncommon qualities of common life. Enjoy hands-on art activities and learn about the art and times of William Hawkins.

LEARN TO LOOK GALLERY • French Moderns 💠



OCTOBER - After exploring the exhibition French Moderns: Monet to Matisse, 1850-1950, head to this family-oriented, hands-on gallery! Learn to look closely and explore images of French Modern artworks and discover why this time period in art has had such a lasting impact on viewers.

Visit the New Family Activity Center!

We are excited to announce the opening of a newly refurbished Family Activity Center at the Figge! The popular and well-used family space will be getting a face-lift this fall. Education staff has been working through ideas and plans for the past year to reimagine the space. Visitors have played an important role as staff has interviewed guests and gathered survey data to assess the needs of the center. The museum's Education Committee, a mix of staff, board members, docents and local teachers, has reviewed the results and provided feedback as well. We can't wait to share it with you!

In preparation for this update, the Family Activity Center will be closed to the public from Monday, September 17 through Friday, October 5. We will open to the public with a flourish on Saturday, October 6. In the meantime, thank you for your patience!



THURSDAYS AT THE FIGGE

FREE ADMISSION THURSDAY EVENINGS 4 p.m. BAR OPENS • SPECIAL HAPPY HOUR MENU



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Have a drink at the bar or stroll through galleries. Join us for a lecture, workshop, performance or special activity. Every Thursday evening offers a different experience!



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6



5:30 p.m. Reception 6:30 p.m. Gallery Talk

Linda Wastyn, board president of Living Proof Exhibit, will provide a welcome. Pamela Crouch, executive director of Living Proof Exhibit, will introduce the artists present and speak about the exhibition and its importance to contributing artists, cancer survivors and the Quad-City community.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

3:30-7 p.m. Teacher Appreciation Open House 🛼

The Figge welcomes all educators to show our appreciation! Teachers may explore the museum's education resources and enjoy complimentary refreshments, door prizes and activities.

6 p.m. Exhibition Program



Ryan Collins, author and executive director of the Midwest Writing Center, will lead a writing activity in response to Living Proof Exhibit: A Visualization of Hope. Anyone from the community who has been impacted by cancer is invited to participate. The first 100 attendees will receive a journal.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 69



5:30 p.m. Reception 6:30 p.m. Curator Talk: Susan Mitchell Crawley

Celebrate the opening of William L. Hawkins: An Imaginative Geography and hear from Susan Mitchell Crawley, independent curator and formerly curator of folk art at the High Museum of Art in Atlanta, who collaborated with the Figge Art Museum to organize this landmark exhibition.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

5 p.m. Artist Talk: Tim Story

Join artist Tim Story for an introduction to his sound installation The Roedelius Cells (see page 11), on display in the Figge's Quad City Bank & Trust Grand Lobby September 25-27.

Cinema at the Figge 🛼 Presented by Ford Photography 6 p.m. Social Hour and Craft Beer Tasting 7 p.m. Short Film Program 7:30 p.m. Feature Film

This special Cinema at the Figge kicks off the All Senses Festival, a four-day multi-venue festival offering dozens of artistic programs, performances and much more. For additional information visit allsensesfestival.com.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4



6:30 p.m. Curator Talk: Andrew Wallace Celebrate the landmark exhibition, William L. Hawkins: An Imaginative Geography, with Andrew Wallace, Figge director of collections and exhibitions, as he speaks about the exhibition's creation and highlights.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11 💠 💆





5:30 p.m. Reception 6:30 p.m. Curator Talk: Lisa Small Join Lisa Small, senior curator of European art at the Brooklyn Museum and co-curator of French Moderns: Monet to Matisse. 1850-1950, for an introduction to the exhibition followed by time to explore the gallery. Small has been with the Brooklyn Museum since 2011 and has organized many exhibitions including Georgia O'Keeffe: Living Modern (2017) and Killer Heels: The Art of the High-Heeled Shoe (2014).

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18 💠

6:30 p.m. Remarks and Performance:



Kali Yuga Improvisation Ensemble Dr. Randall B. Hall, Augustana College associate professor and musician, along with Augustana's Kali Yuga Improvisation Ensemble, will explore the acoustic possibilities of the Figge while considering the artistic influences of the French Modern era that have helped shape our music today. Performers will be stationed throughout the museum to create a constantly changing frame of reference as the listener moves through the museum, creating a sort of Cubist collage in sound, which interacts with the visual images on display. The evolution of sounds and the motion of the listener create an experience unique to each specific moment in time, space and perspective.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25



6:30 p.m. Artist Talk: Mary Miss Artist Mary Miss is interested in how artists can play a more central role in addressing the complex issues of our times. She has reshaped the boundaries between sculpture, architecture, landscape design and installation art by articulating a vision of the public sphere where it is possible for an artist to address issues, making environmental and social sustainability into tangible experiences. Trained as a sculptor, Miss creates situations emphasizing a site's history, its ecology or aspects of the environment that have gone unnoticed.

Sponsored by River Action and Chris and Mary Rayburn

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1

6:30 p.m. Performance: Still, for Solo Piano Ashlee Mack is a pianist and director of piano studies at Knox College and James Romig is professor of music composition and theory at Western Illinois University. They will present a one-hour piano solo inspired by the paintings of Clyfford Still. As the work unfolds, a strand of 24 notes is gradually revealed in groups of three, four, five or six pitches at a time. This results in a slow-moving alternation of sparse and dense textures throughout the work. The goal of this piano piece is to create a "museum of sound," allowing a listener to develop a notion of the work's entirety by listening to multiple iterative variations of harmony and rhythm.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8 💠 🎉



6:30 p.m. Scholar Talk: Dr. Pamela J. White Pamela White. director of the museum studies graduate program at Western Illinois University-Quad Cities, will speak about British artist Walter Sickert and the role he played in the artistic transition from Impressionism to Modernism in the 19th and 20th centuries. As a special twist to the program, White also will discuss the body of evidence that suggests Sickert was the serial killer known as Jack the Ripper.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15 💠



6:30 p.m. Performance: "Paris en Pointe," Debussy

Ballet Quad Cities and the St. Ambrose Music Department partner with the Figge to bring you "Paris en Pointe." Journey back to Paris under the Eiffel Tower when the Moulin Rouge was the place to be. It was an exciting time for composers and visual artists alike when they changed the course of history with their music and Impressionist canvases. This performance features music by one of the most influential French composers, Claude Debussy, and dancers of Ballet Quad Cities. Evoking the mystery of a moonlit night, impressionist Debussy's "Clair de Lune" pairs perfectly with Narcisse Virgile Díaz de la Peña's "Bathers by a Woodland Stream." "Cakewalk" and "Syrinx" bring to life the energy and the spirit of the fin de siècle, or turn of the century, artistic climate of sophistication and creation in Paris.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29

Cinema at the Figge Presented by Ford Photography 6 p.m. Social Hour and Craft Beer Tasting 7 p.m. Short Film Program 7:30 p.m. Feature Film Free admission; seating is limited to 140 people on a first-come basis.

Thursdays at the Figge will be on hiatus from December, 2018, through January, 2019. Programming will resume in February.



SPECIAL INSTALLATION The Roedelius Cells

September 25-September 27 Quad City Bank & Trust Grand Lobby at the Figge Art Museum

In preparation for the All Senses Festival (September 27-30), the Figge Art Museum, Ragged Records and Curious Music team up to present *The Roedelius* Cells installation in the Figge's Quad City Bank & Trust Grand Lobby. The Roedelius Cells is an immersive audio experience created by Grammy-nominated composer Tim Story and featuring original piano recordings by Hans-Joachim Roedelius.

COMPANION EVENTS

5 p.m. Thursday, September 27 Artist Talk: Tim Story



Annual Member Dinner

Thursday, December 13 6 p.m. Cocktail Hour • 7 p.m. Dinner Celebrate the holidays with friends, fun and food at the Figge! During the cocktail hour, enjoy a festive raffle with items from local stores and businesses followed by a delicious buffet dinner at 7 p.m. Savor a sumptuous dessert while listening to beautiful holiday songs sung by the Quad City Symphony Youth Choir. Members will receive a formal invitation by mail. To reserve your seat, register online at figgeartmuseum.org or contact Tessa Pozzi at 563.345.6638.

Not a member? Join today!

Member Appreciation Week

December 6-13

Membership benefits are even sweeter during Member Appreciation Week! Shop in the Museum Store for unique gifts and save an extra 10% off your purchases with free gift wrapping. Enjoy French delicacies in the Figge Café, then stroll through French Moderns: Monet to Matisse, 1850-1950.

During Member Appreciation Week, purchase or renew a membership and receive an additional three months as a member! Purchase this membership in the Museum Store and receive a free Figge gift.

EDUCATION CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

Guided Mindfulness: Meditation in the Galleries

5:30 p.m. Sundays, October 7, November 18, December 2 Free with museum membership Join us in the gentle practice of mindfulness meditation in the Figge galleries. Practitioners will be guided in ways to calm the mind and body and to bring awareness to the present moment. Meditations will be led by experienced meditation practitioners from the Prairie River Sangha. All are welcome, including those new to meditation. This is a free program, but registration is required. Limited to 10 participants. For more information, contact Brooke Wessel at bwessel@figgeartmuseum.org.



Yoga at the Figge

10:30 a.m. Saturdays, September 15 (classes will resume in January) Free-will donation for the class; please bring a yoga mat

Register at www.figgeartmuseum.org Join us for free yoga classes at one of the most beautiful spaces in the Quad Cities! The session will feature a relaxing routine led by a local instructor. All experience levels, from beginner to advanced, are welcome. Space is limited for the adult class (age 13 or older) and 18 spots available for the children's class (age 5-12). For questions or to apply to be included in the rotation for instruction, call 563.345.6638 or email yoqa@ figgeartmuseum.org.

Family Holiday Workshop

6-8 p.m. Thursday, December 6 \$15/member family of four; \$20/nonmember family of four; \$3 for each extra person; free to children age 3 or younger \$10/scout troop, plus \$5 per scout Snack on cocoa and cookies; create fun, decorative, delicious gingerbread houses; and design holiday cards with lots of sparkle. Wrap your holidays in smiles and get into a festive spirit at this holiday workshop.



FRENCH CULTURE CLASSES

To register for one of these classes at www.figgeartmuseum.org or contact Heather Aaronson at 563.345.6630 or haaronson@figgeartmuseum.org.

ART HISTORY CLASS: Paris Moderns, 1850-1950 💠

Instructor: Dr. Claire Kovacs 1-3 p.m., Sundays November 4, 11, 18, 25 Free with museum membership Registration required

For all who visited or called it home, the "City of Light" was a space for inspiration and a site of rapid artistic development, spurred by shifting urban, social, cultural, intellectual and political environments. This class, led by Dr. Claire Kovacs, director of the Augustana Teaching Museum of Art, will investigate transformations of painting, sculpture, photography and printmaking through the expressive styles of Realism, Impressionism, Post-Impressionism, Symbolism, Fauvism, Dada, Cubism and Surrealism. Each week the course will focus on one of the themes of French Moderns: Landscape, Still Life, Portraits and Figures, and the Nude. In addition to lectures, participants will spend time in the galleries, roll up their sleeves and experiment with a few art demos.

MUSIC HISTORY CLASS: French Inspirations, 1850-1950

Instructor: Dr. Randall B. Hall 1-3 p.m. Saturday, October 20 Free with museum membership Registration required

Dr. Randall B. Hall, associate professor at Augustana College, will lead the class on a journey through the musical developments in France from 1850-1950. The class will discuss works by composers including Claude Debussy, Erik Satie and Igor Stravinsky and their relationship to corresponding artistic movements such as Symbolism, Impressionism and Surrealism.

LANGUAGE CLASS:

French Language and Culture 🂠 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Saturdays,



October 6, 13, 20, 27 Instructor: Susan Wier

Free with museum membership Registration required; limited to 20 participants

This class, taught in French, will include lessons on vocabulary, pronunciation and communicative activities, including discussion of French artists.

STUDIO CLASSES

Make time for your creative side! Try a class or workshop in the museum studios. A variety of mediums can be explored, and all experience levels are welcome. Register for classes at www.figgeartmuseum.org or by printing the

form to mail or submit in the Museum Store. For more

details, contact Heather Aaronson at 563.345.6630 or haaronson@figgeartmuseum. org or Lynn Gingras-Taylor at 563.345.6635 or lgtaylor@figgeartmuseum.org.



Instructor: Paul Lange 5:30-8 p.m. Tuesdays September 4, 11, 18, 25

\$90 member; \$105 non-member

Supply list

Political Cartooning

Instructor: Jason Platt 6-8 p.m. Wednesdays September 5, 12, 19, 26 \$80 member: \$95 non-member

Supply list

Watercolor Painting - Summer's Farewell

Instructor: Ralph Iaccarino 6-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays

September 5, 12, 19, 26 and October 3 \$95 member; \$110 non-member

Supply list

Painting - Watercolor Basics and Beyond

Instructor: David Zahn Noon-2 p.m. Fridays October 5, 12, 19, 26

\$80 member; \$95 non-member

Supply list

Figure Drawing for High School Students

Instructor: Kristen Quinn 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays

September 29, October 20 and 27

\$15 per student per session; students may register for one or more sessions

Supply List

Clothed and nude models; students should submit parent permission slips at time of registration.

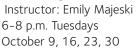
Drawing – Sketch Book Workshop

Instructor: Cara Burns

10 a.m.-noon Saturday, October 20 \$20 member; \$35 non-member

Supply list

Oil Painting – French Modern Style 💠



\$80 member; \$95 non-member

Supply list

Oil Pastels – Tuesdays with Renoir 💠

Instructor: Gloria Burlingame

6-8 p.m. Tuesdays October 2, 9, 16, 23

\$80 member; \$95 non-member

Supply List

\$1 materials fee payable to instructor includes oil pastel blender stick

Acrylic Painting – French Landscapes 💠

Instructor: Allen Holloway 6-8 p.m. Wednesdays

October 24, 31 and November 7, 14 \$80 member; \$95 non-member

Supply list

Batik for Beginners/Intermediate

Instructor: Mary Stringer

10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, December 1 \$40 member; \$55 non-member

Supply list

\$20 materials fee payable to instructor at workshop

Art 271 – Ceramics (off-site)

Instructor: Tami Schmidt

5:30-8:14 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays at Black Hawk College QC Campus, 6600 34th Ave., Moline, Building 3, Rm 102 January 14-March 6, 2019 (registration

opens November 6)

\$225 member; \$240 non-member

Supply list

Supply lists and class descriptions at www.figgeartmuseum.org

WINE and ART!

Enjoy a variety of studio classes paired with a glass of wine, light hors d'oeuvres and socializing during Wine & Art. Each session features a different art medium. Sessions cost \$20/student; supplies, snacks and wine are provided. Pre-registration is required. Register at www.figgeartmuseum.org or contact Heather Aaronson at haaronson@ figgeartmuseum.org, at 563.345.6630, or Lynn Gingras-Taylor at Iqtaylor@ figgeartmuseum.org, 563.345.6635.

6-8 P.M. THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

Acrylic Painting - Dreamscapes Instructor: Allen Holloway

Paint landscapes in unusual colors and exaggerated shapes. Experiment with ways to paint the horizons in your mind, paint from a personal photo of a landscape or use your dreams for inspiration.

6-8:30 P.M. THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4

Folk Art – Expressions in Color Instructor: Lori Miller

Students will enjoy a half-hour tour of the William L. Hawkins exhibition at the beginning of class, then return to the studios. Inspired by the exuberance and color of Hawkins' art, students will use a variety of materials, including paint, fabric, wood, metal and more to create artworks.

6-8 P.M. THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1 💠

From France with Love Instructor: Amy Nielsen

Explore your Impressionist abilities as artist Amy Nielsen takes the class into the exhibition French Moderns: Monet to Matisse, 1850-1950 to discuss different art techniques used in creating some of the timeless pieces. Following the gallery discussion, students will head back to the studio to create beautiful postcard designs using paint, pen and ink, fabric, and more! The class also will explore Pointillism, a technique of neo-Impressionist painting using tiny dots of various pure colors that become blended in the viewer's eye.



EDUCATION EVENTS



Portfolio Day – High School Students

Thursday, October 25
9:30 a.m. Welcoming remarks
9:45 a.m. Portfolio counseling
Attention art students: Applying for scholarships and college admission? Visit one-on-one with professors from area colleges and receive feedback and tips on your portfolio. Representatives from several colleges and universities will be available. Admission is free, but registration is required. Contact Brian Allen at ballen@figgeartmuseum.org for more information or to register.

T-Shirt Design Contest – High School Students



The aim of this design contest is to engage Quad-City area teens in the field of art and design by tapping into T-shirt and DIY culture. The student whose design is selected will receive a cash prize, free T-shirts, and a pizza silk-screening party for him/her and three friends—not to mention bragging rights! The limited-edition artist T-shirts will be available for purchase in the Museum Store, with all proceeds benefiting next year's educational programs at the Figge.

Design submissions are due Saturday, December 8. Visit www.figgeartmuseum. org for more information or contact Brian Allen at ballen@figgeartmuseum.org.

Beaux Arts Fair

Fall Fair: September 8, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., and September 9, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Free admission and free Creation Station activities for the kids from 12 p.m.-4 p.m. Saturday and 12 p.m.-3 p.m. on Sunday, including the Figge's popular Spin Art booth!

Teen Anime Day

Noon-3 p.m. Saturday, October 13 • Free admission
If you are between 12 and 18 years old and a fan of anime
and manga art, this is for you! The afternoon will include
cos-play and People's Choice award for best costume, a
student manga art display (bring art you've made or draw
something at the event), craft activities, a Japanese language
lesson and calligraphy contest, video gaming sessions, books



and items available for purchase from Books-A-Million, refreshments, and more. Teen Anime Day is planned in collaboration with the Davenport Public Library, Japan Shinzen Art & Culture International, What's That Funk, QC Anime-zing! and Books-A-Million. For information, call the Figge at 563.345.6635 or the Davenport Public Library at 563.888.4812.



Day of the Dead Free Family Fiesta

Noon-5 p.m. Sunday, October 28

Visit the Figge for this annual celebration of *Dia de los Muertos*. Experience displays, performances, films, hands-on activities and authentic foods throughout the museum, including our collection of Catrinas and a traditional altar. This event is made possible through a partnership with the LULAC Quad Cities and Hola America.

Girls on Fire Conference

Thursday, November 15, and Friday, November 16
The Figge is proud to partner with LOVE Girls Magazine for this event of empowerment focused on the capabilities, achievements and spirit of junior high and high school girls. For more information: www.loveqirlmagazine.com





Free Family Day 💠

Saturday, November 17 • Free admission all day Scheduled activities 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Tour the current exhibitions and participate in special activities throughout the museum related to *French Moderns, William L. Hawkins* and *John Bloom.*

Sponsored by Quad-City Times, WQPT-TV, KWQC-TV6

Teacher Appreciation Open House

Thursday, September 13, 3:30-7 p.m.

The Figge welcomes all educators to its annual Teacher Appreciation Open House. Teachers may explore the museum's education resources and enjoy complimentary refreshments, door prizes and activities.



TOURS & GALLERY ACTIVITIES

School Visits & Study Trips

Energize the learning process and give your students an experience with the arts by scheduling a study trip to the Figge! Elementary through high school students can experience a guided tour with our trained docents. These tailored sessions encourage



great conversations about art as students are invited to look closely, question and wonder in the museum galleries.

Other spaces in the museum also can be a part of your visit. The education department has a variety of art films to share in the John Deere Auditorium. Play sessions in the Family Activity Center also can be scheduled as part of the experience.

Look & Do: Study trips can be enhanced by art-making sessions with a museum educator in the studios. Students will create a takehome art project that is inspired by their gallery visit. Students first look, then do!

Study Trips: \$3 per student; \$5 per student with art activity. There is no charge for staff or chaperones. If cost is an inhibiting factor for your school, please inquire about our Yellow School Bus Fund. We are happy to work with any and all groups who would like to visit! For inquiries and information, please contact Heather Aaronson at 563.345.6630 or haaronson@figgeartmuseum.org.



The cArt!

Find our art cart in selected galleries throughout the fall for in-depth conversations about art! Books, objects, gallery games and information, along with a trained docent, will be available for guests to explore art topics in new ways.

The cArt is available on selected Saturdays from 11 a.m.-2 p.m., and on selected Sundays from noon-3 p.m.

John Bloom: Close to Home Saturday, September 8 Sunday, September 9 Saturday, November 17

William L. Hawkins: An Imaginative Geography Saturday, September 29 Saturday, October 6 Saturday, December 8

French Moderns: Monet to Matisse, 1850-1950 Sunday, October 28 Saturday, December 22 Saturday, December 29

Guided Tours

Join our knowledgeable docents for a guided tour free with admission or membership! Meet in the Quad City Bank & Trust Grand Lobby. Bringing a group? We have special rates! To register, contact Heather Aaronson at 563.345.6630 or haaronson@figgeartmuseum.org.

Collection and Exhibition Highlights Tours 🂠

1:30 p.m. Saturdays:

September 15, 22; October 13, 20; November 3, 10; December 1, 8, 15, 29 1:30 p.m. Sundays:

September 16, 30; October 7, 21; November 11, 25; December 2, 9, 16, 30 7 p.m. French Fridays (special Fridays when the Figge is open until 9 p.m.): October 26, November 23, December 28

Free Senior Day

Seniors, join us the first Thursday of each month for Free Senior Day, featuring 1:30 p.m. museum tours followed by a 2:30 p.m. film. Please meet your tour guide in the Quad City Bank & Trust Grand Lobby. The film will be shown in the auditorium. Seniors also receive a 10% member-discount in the Figge Café and Museum Store on Free Senior Day.

Thursday, September 6 – John Bloom

Thursday, October 4 – William L. Hawkins

Thursday, November 1 – Day of the Dead

Thursday, January 3 and December 6 – French Moderns 🕏



Improving the Visitor Experience

The Figge Art Museum has been working hard to expand existing partnerships and create new ones, all in support of diversity, equity, accessibility, and inclusion. Below are just a few highlights from the past year.

Juvenile Detention Center

Since 2011, the Figge has been partnering with the Scott County Juvenile Detention Center (SCJDC) to deliver free arts outreach opportunities to its students, and this year piloted a week-long intensive art experience with great success. For five days, Figge Outreach and Interpretation Coordinator Brian Allen and local artist Sarah Robb have worked directly with juveniles to envision, develop and create a largescale mural about hope and overcoming obstacles. The mural will become a permanent fixture at the SCJDC, as a message from current juveniles to those who are detained in the future.

LGBTQ Welcoming Guidelines Conversation

The Figge teamed up with the Augustana Teaching Museum of Art and the American Alliance of Museums (AAM) to present a local discussion, "AAM LGBTQ Welcoming Guidelines: Overview, Issues, and Actions." This conversation happened in numerous museums across the country during the course of a week, and the goal of each was to help museum colleagues better understand how to use the AAM's Welcoming Guidelines, and how the guidelines can be applied in all types of institutions. Participants learned about the quideline goals, reviewed the guideline document in small groups, and then worked through an exercise that was relevant to their individual institutions. Many great ideas came out of the workshop, which had over 25 local and regional museum professionals in attendance. Since the workshop, the Figge has partnered with a number of supporting organizations such as The Project of the Quad Cities and QC Pride, all of whom collaborated during Quad Cities Unity Pride Festival to present the Emmy Award nominated documentary We Were Here in the Figge's John Deere Auditorium, at no cost to attendees.



New Acquisitions by Women Artists

In 2017, the Figge's Acquisition Committee approved of 182 artworks entering the collection, many of which were donated to the museum, and many of which were created by women artists. The curatorial team, under the guidance of Director of Collections and Exhibitions Andrew Wallace, promptly re-envisioned an entire gallery in order to install many of these artworks, tipping the scales so that for the first time in the Figge's history there are more artworks on display in a permanent collection gallery that were created by women than men. Curious to learn more? Be sure to stop by the orientation gallery on Level 2 during your next visit, where you'll see stunning works created by Louise Nevelson, Grace Hartigan, Vanessa German, and many more.

Genie the Robot

Thanks to the generous sponsorship of Genesis Health System and the Iowa Arts Council, the Figge has been able to expand its partnership with Living Proof Exhibit to offer remote tours of the museum to cancer patients undergoing treatment at the Genesis Cancer Care Institute. For more information about the program, check out the Director's Corner on page 2, or visit Living Proof Exhibit's website at www.living-proofexhibit.org.

Gallery Hosts

This year brings with it a new presence in the Figge—the introduction of a hybrid security and visitor services program of Gallery Hosts. Recognizable by their "Gallery Host" t-shirts and interactive tablets, these new employees are at your service! Need a refresher on museum rules? Want to know more about the current exhibitions? Not sure where the nearest drinking fountain is? Ask a Gallery Host, and enjoy your visit! To learn more or to inquire about employment opportunities, e-mail sconnors@figqeartmuseum.org.

American Sign Language Interpreters



The Figge is excited to announce a new partnership with Sorenson Community Interpreting Services,

a leader in the field of American Sign Language interpretation and the empowerment of the deaf and hard-of-hearing community. Look for the ASL symbol to know when interpreters are scheduled for Figge programs. For all other programs, interpreters are available upon request. Those interested in requesting an interpreter for a museum class or program can do so by calling the Figge at 563.345.6639.

MUSEUM STORE

Faire du "Shopping" at the Museum Store

"Allons-y!" means "Let's go!" in French and the Figge Museum Store currently is inspired to travel a little further than Second Street to bring a little more French to town. We've been testing the waters with different French-inspired items to pave the way for members and guests to travel beyond the borders of our location, perhaps to Paris or Provence.

French Moderns: Monet to Matisse will bring new programming and partnerships to the museum and community. Visit the Museum Store for our French inspired merchandise like the one-of-a-kind towel designed by renowned artist Tom Vieth. Available only at the Figge! Visit the Museum Store soon so you don't miss out on amazing merchandise inspired by our French Moderns exhibition.

The Rewards of Giving Artfully

The Museum Store has products for all ages. Reward yourself with a beautiful or unique item from the store:

Be chic • Scarves are one of the symbols of French fashion—and "bee" inspired. The bee symbol is an icon of French culture that inspired Napoleon, and was used as a vital symbol of both French industry and the French Revolution.

To Paris, with love • Writing by hand is coming back—stationery and cards are perfect ways to say *Merci* or *Je T'aime*!

Bedazzle • Neckline, ears or wrists can sparkle like Coco (Chanel) when you shop the large jewelry selection at the Museum Store. You can find one-of-a-kind pieces such as these Fair Trade pieces (see below) made from kantha beads from recycled saris.





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Standing together, we will be inspired by 60 master works that represent 100 years in the history of French art. A once in a lifetime opportunity! These artists and works provided the inspiration for American modern art. We are now connected to these artists and that century in a meaningful way.

French Moderns: Monet to Matisse 1850-1950 is here because 65 people and organizations who care deeply for the cultural life of our region contributed to an

endowment to bring a MAJOR exhibition to the Figge, every other year, in perpetuity.

This, my friends, is what the Figge Art Museum was built for. On the day the museum first opened to the public, an endowment like this would have seemed impossible. But nothing is impossible for the determined and willing hearted donors of our museum.

This initiative started just three years ago in a conversation over coffee with one such woman, to whom nothing seemed impossible. Three other women joined the initiative and look where we are TODAY!

With deep gratitude, we thank the now, 130 members of the Charles August Ficke Society for contributing gifts to the museum and our endowments, ensuring the stability of arts and culture in our region for generations to come.

What will we start today that will come to life three years from now? I ask you

to consider joining other valiant hearted members of the C.A. Ficke Society. There are so many ways to make an impact and we are just a conversation away from making it so.

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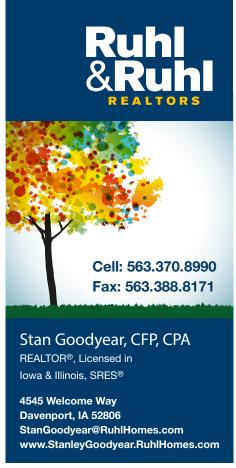




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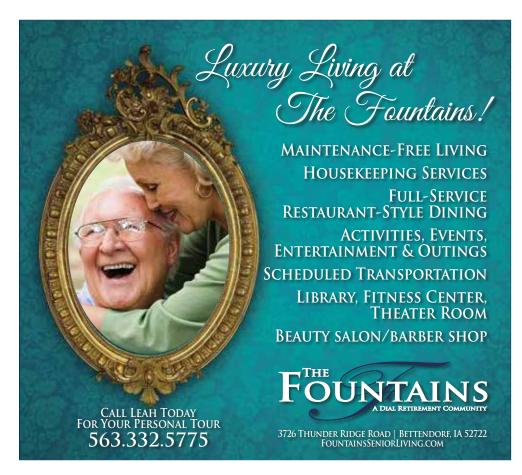
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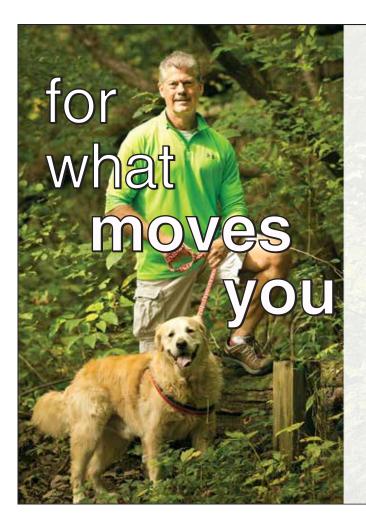


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