



NEWS RELEASE

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Special Summer Programs, Events and Classes Announced at the Toledo Museum of Art

TOLEDO, Ohio – The Toledo Museum of Art is offering a series of special events and programs this summer, and many are related to the exhibition *The Berlin Painter and His World: Athenian Vase-Painting in the Early Fifth Century B.C.* while it is on view July 8-Oct. 1, 2017.

FREE Special Events and Activities

Play Space

June 27-Sept. 3, Museum Grounds

The Museum's youngest visitors are invited again to explore TMA's popular Play Space on the lawn just west of the main Museum. The outdoor Play Space features musical instruments, big blue blocks and interactive *Elements of Play* games. Designed by youth from TMA's Teen Apprentice program and The Arts Commission's YAAW Alumni, with artist Laura Amtower, the *Elements of Play* includes three unique games inspired by visual language and childhood memories.

Children and their caregivers will be encouraged to play together. Play Staff will be on duty Tuesday-Sunday from 12-4 p.m. from June 27-Aug. 13. From Aug. 19-Sept. 3, Play Space will be staffed Saturday and Sunday from 12-4 p.m. Visitors are encouraged to enjoy the *Elements of Play* games and musical instruments throughout museum hours: Tuesday and Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, Noon to 5 p.m.

TMA Block Party

July 8: 6-10 p.m., Museum Grounds

Celebrate summer with thousands of party-goers and enjoy entertainment, food and music purveyors during the Museum's fourth annual block party. The festivities are spread out across Monroe Street, which will be closed to traffic, and coincide with the opening of the special exhibition *The Berlin Painter and His World*, a display of ancient Athenian vase painting. With the season's focus on the art of Greece, expect inspiration for the Block Party's food, dance and music to come from across the Atlantic. Opa! Parking is free for members and \$7 for nonmembers. Performances include:

- 6:00 – 6:15 JP Dynasty
- 6:15 – 6:30 TMA Welcome & DJ Folk
- 6:30 – 7:00 Birds Eye View Circus Aerial Performance
- 7:00 – 7:15 JP Dynasty
- 7:30 – 8:00 Naach by Aha Indian Dance Performance
- 8:00 – 8:15 JP Dynasty
- 8:15 – 8:45 Birds Eye View Circus Aerial Performance
- 8:45 – 9:15 Hellenic Dance Company
- 9:15 – 10:00 DJ Folk

Exhibitions

Kara Walker, Harper's Pictorial History of the Civil War (Annotated)

Through Oct. 22, 2017, Gallery 18

Widely known for her radical engagement with issues of race, gender and sexuality, Kara Walker is one of the most successful and celebrated artists today. Her print series *Harper's Pictorial History of the Civil War (Annotated)* (2005) was recently acquired by TMA. It features 15 of the artist's signature black silhouette figures in silkscreen layered over enlarged wood engravings of Civil War scenes taken from Harper's *Pictorial History*, first published in 1866. By uniting her contemporary re-imagining of events from an African-American perspective with the historical record, Walker creates a powerful visual statement that challenges the conventional one-sided textbook account of the Civil War and the abolition of slavery. This exhibition is supported in part by the H. L. Thompson, Jr. Family Fund and the Ohio Arts Council.

The Berlin Painter and His World: Athenian Vase-Painting in the Early Fifth Century B.C.

July 8-Oct. 1, 2017, Canaday Gallery

This touring exhibition of ancient Athenian vase-painting, organized by the Princeton University Art Museum, focuses on the art and career of the anonymous artist known as the Berlin Painter. Eighty-four vessels and statuettes of bronze and terracotta from the early fifth century B.C. will be shown, including dozens of the finest vases attributed to the Berlin Painter along with works by other extraordinary artists of the period. The masterpieces are on loan from 15 museums and two private collections, including the British Museum; Metropolitan Museum of Art; the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston; the J. Paul Getty Museum; the Vatican's Museo Gregoriano Etrusco and the Musée du Louvre. The painted subjects range from athletics and musical performances to the rich body of Greek myth and epic.

The Berlin Painter and His World: Athenian Vase-Painting in the Early Fifth Century B.C. has been organized by the Princeton University Art Museum. Major support for this exhibition has been provided by the Leon Levy Foundation and the Stavros Niarchos Foundation. The Toledo showing is made possible in part by 2017 Exhibition Program Sponsor ProMedica and an anonymous donor, with additional support from Christies, Jim and Gregory Demirjian, and Taylor Cadillac, as well as generous gifts received in memory of Kurt Luckner. Admission is free for members and students, \$10 for nonmembers.

Dive deeper into *The Berlin Painter and His World* with exhibition mobile tours on the Museum's new app, TMApp, available for download on your device. Select "Explore the Galleries" from the main menu and then "The Berlin Painter and His World," or enter the number found on labels in the exhibition on the app's keypad. Devices are available to borrow from the Information Desk. Download TMApp on iTunes or GooglePlay.

Exhibition-related Programs

Unless otherwise noted, the following programs are free.

Exhibition Tour: Adam Levine, *The Berlin Painter and His World*

July 15: 2 p.m., Canaday Gallery

Adam Levine, TMA Associate Director and Associate Curator of Ancient Art, leads a walkthrough of the exhibition.

Film in the Great Outdoors

9 p.m., Museum Grounds

In conjunction with the exhibition *The Berlin Painter and His World*, the Museum's Films in the Great Outdoors series presents some of cinema's most popular interpretations of ancient Greece.

July 21: Jason and the Argonauts (1963, 104 minutes)

Aug. 4: The 300 Spartans (1962, 114 minutes)

Aug. 18: Clash of the Titans (1981, 118 minutes)

Sept. 1: Time Bandits (1981, 110 minutes)

AIA-Toledo Society Lecture: Alan Shapiro, The Berlin Painter and the Origins of Portraiture in Greece

Sept. 8: 7 p.m., Little Theater

Dr. Alan Shapiro, Professor of Classics, Emeritus at Johns Hopkins University and national Archaeological Institute of America lecturer, will discuss the ancient Greek artist known as the *Berlin Painter*.

Color Wheels Community Bike Ride: Greek American Festival Ride

Sept. 9: 2 p.m., Glass Pavilion Parkwood Entrance

After exploring *The Berlin Painter and His World* exhibition (ticketed) at TMA, join this ride, which includes free admission to the annual Greek American Festival in downtown Toledo.

Lecture: Eftychia Papanikolaou, When Music is Silent: 'Listening' to the Music of Ancient Greece through Its Pottery

Sept. 16: 2 p.m., Little Theater

In this multi-sensory presentation, musicologist Eftychia Papanikolaou of Bowling Green State University will discuss the music of ancient Greece through an exploration of the roles, functions and symbolism of the musical instruments depicted in the work of the Berlin Painter.

Lecture: Sanchita Balachandran, CSI (Ceramics Scene Investigation), Ancient Athens: Investigating Greek Potters and Painters

Sept. 23: 2 p.m., Little Theater

Sanchita Balachandran, Associate Director, Johns Hopkins Archaeological Museum, discusses the 2,500-year-old enigma of how ancient Greek potters and painters developed the artistically and technologically superior corpus of objects known as red-figure ceramics.

Great Performances: Oracle Hysterical, Hecuba

Sept. 23: 8 p.m., Peristyle, \$

Self-described "part band, part book group," the music ensemble Oracle Hysterical will perform their adaptation of *Hecuba*, Euripides' blood-soaked tale of love, loss, murder, revenge, and the Trojan War.

Wine Tastings

Enjoy four wines paired with hors d'oeuvres from 6:30-8:30 p.m. during It's Friday! at the Toledo Museum of Art Glass Pavilion. Tickets are \$25 for members, \$35 for nonmembers, plus tax, and are available for purchase during Museum hours by phone at 419-255-8000 ext. 7448 or in person at the information desks. It's Friday! is sponsored in part by Fifth Third Bank.

July 14: It's Greek to Me: Wines from Around the Mediterranean

July 21: Fruit of the Vine: The Picks of Dionysus

July 28: Red and White: Wines for Your Kylix or Kantharos

Aug. 4: A Symposium of Sips: Great Party Wines

Aug. 11: Outdoor Pleasers: Wines for the Peristyle or Pergola
Aug. 18: And Now for Something Completely Different: New Introductions
Aug. 25: Best Barbeque Bets: Our Annual Cook-out Event

FREE It's Friday! Music

6:30-8:30 p.m., Museum Grounds

Pull up a chair (or bring your own) and enjoy the summer evening with a cool drink, delicious small plate edibles and an eclectic array of music. In case of rain, concerts aren't canceled but simply move inside!

July 7: **Alright Gandhi**: pop music with an eye to experimentation

July 14: **Old State Line**: a mix of Americana, roots, folk, country and old time music

July 21: **Ramona Collins**: local legend and jazz vocalist

July 28: **The Grape Smugglers**: blues, R&B, rock and soul music

Aug. 4: **Sarah D'Angelo**: jazz

Aug. 11: **It's Essential**: a mix of pop, soul, jazz, and standards

Aug. 18: **Howlin' Mercy**: blues

Aug. 25: **The Skip Turner Band**: jazz

Summer Classes

All class details and registration information can be found at <http://toledomuseum.org/learn/classes>.

Children's Summer Camps (Ages 5-13)

\$90 members / \$105 nonmembers

July 10-14:

Drawing and Mixed Media

\$90 members / \$105 nonmembers

9 a.m.-Noon

Students in this class will explore the world of color by studying works in the Museum's collection then learn various drawing techniques using materials such as color pencil and pen, and chalk and oil pastels.

Mythological Creatures

\$90 members / \$105 nonmembers

1-4 p.m.

Drawing inspiration from mythological works in the Museum's collection and special exhibition The Berlin Painter and His World, students will create their own mythological creatures using a variety of materials, including paint and air dry clay.

July 17-21:

LEGO® Masterpieces

\$90 members / \$105 nonmembers

9 a.m.-Noon

Using the TMA collection for inspiration, students will build their own one-of-a-kind LEGO masterpieces and create LEGO-inspired works of art. LEGO pieces are for in-class only and cannot be taken home.

Mixed Media Painting

\$90 members / \$105 nonmembers

1-4 p.m.

Through visits to the Museum's collection and special exhibition *The Berlin Painter and His World*, students will explore techniques in painting that go beyond using a brush! A variety of materials may be used such as oil pastels, paint, and collage.

July 24-28:

Graphic Storytelling

\$90 members / \$105 nonmembers

9 a.m.-Noon

Discover the world of stories without words! Students will explore narrative works in the Museum's collection and special exhibition *The Berlin Painter and His World*, then learn the techniques of bringing a story to life through images.

Figure Sculptures

\$90 members / \$105 nonmembers

1-4 p.m.

From small figurines to monuments, the human figure has been an inspiration for sculptors throughout time. Close out summer camp by exploring TMA's collection of sculptures then create your own figure inspired sculptures using materials such as plaster or air dry clay.

Teen Summer Camps (Ages 14-18)

Digital Photography

\$90 members / \$105 nonmembers

July 10-14: 1-4 p.m.

In this introductory class, students will learn the basics of using a digital camera including composition and practicing ways to creatively enhance images. Original compositions will be created using the Museum's galleries and buildings as part of the setting. Cameras are provided in class.

Interactive Electronic Art

\$425 members / \$450 nonmembers

July 17-21: 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

In collaboration with Bowling Green State University, join us for an opportunity to create interactive electronic art at TMA. Students will learn how to program microcontrollers through hands-on lab exercises creating simple machines with embodied behaviors. The skills and concepts taught in this course will be presented using an interdisciplinary approach which merges practices in arts and technology. Students will spend Monday through Thursday at TMA then take a field trip to the BGSU campus on Friday for a tour of the robotics lab, transportation provided. Students will have a break for lunch but must bring their own food and drinks.

Mixed Media Painting

\$90 members / \$105 nonmembers

July 24-28: 1-4 p.m.

Students in this class will combine painting and printmaking techniques to create colorful, energetic works of art inspired by the Museum's Modern and Contemporary collection.

Family Workshops

Painting Together

\$20 members / \$25 nonmembers for 1 child + accompanying adult

Aug. 5, ages 3-5 with adult: 10 a.m.-Noon

Aug. 12, ages 6-10 with adult 10 a.m.-Noon

Participants in this workshop will explore paintings in the Museum's galleries then work together to paint their own masterpieces back in the studio!

Sculpt It

\$20 members / \$25 nonmembers for 1 child + accompanying adult

Aug. 19, ages 3-5 with adult: 1-3 p.m.

Aug. 26, ages 6-10 with adult: 1-3 p.m.

Participants in this workshop will explore sculptures in the Museum's collection then create their own masterpieces back in the studio using materials such as plaster, aluminum foil or air dry clay!

Adult Workshops

Sketching at the Museum

\$45 members / \$50 nonmembers

Aug. 5-6: 1-4 p.m.

With Paul Brand

Sketching is fundamental to plein air painting and studio landscape painting. This class will use pencil and pen to practice sketching techniques outdoors, taking advantage of the Museum's beautiful campus. This class will involve walking around the Museum's grounds each week, weather pending. Students are encouraged to bring their own sketchbooks and sunscreen!

Glass Discovery Workshops

\$55 members / \$65 nonmembers

Discover the art of glassmaking by taking one of these short, project-focused workshops. Learn the basics with the help of our experienced instructors and create a finished piece of glass. Sign up for one or all of these fun and educational workshops. No experience necessary.

July sessions: 9 a.m.-Noon, Hot Shop

July 8: Paperweight

July 15: Cup

July 22: Bowl

July 29: Vase

August sessions: 9 a.m.-Noon, Flameworking Studio

Aug. 5: Beaded Bracelet

Aug. 12: Pendant

Introduction to Glassblowing Weekend

\$215 members / \$240 nonmembers

Aug. 5 and 6: 3-7 p.m.

On Saturday, students will be introduced to the collection, learn some basics of gathering glass and then make simple starter objects. On Sunday, students will make their very first cup and bowl. No experience necessary.

Introduction to Flameworking Weekend

\$135 members / \$160 nonmembers

Aug.19 and 20: 1-5 p.m.

With Heather Hughes-Meek

This two-day workshop will introduce participants to the possibilities of the torch. Saturday will focus on learning the most basic elements of flameworking by becoming familiar with the torches, tools and glass while creating beads. On Sunday, after a short tour in the galleries, students will make sculptural pendants and other small objects of their desire. No experience necessary.

Heads Up!

\$225 members / \$250 nonmembers

Aug.14, 15, 21 and 22: 6:30-9:30 p.m.

With Steve Cothorn

This class will introduce techniques used in creating blown and sculpted glass portraits. Students will practice techniques to create unique hairstyles, mustaches, ears, eyes, and everything that makes up the human head. Prerequisite: Glassblowing I

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Note: Events are subject to change. Check the Museum's online calendar at toledomuseum.org for the latest details.

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Admission to the Museum is free. The Museum is open Tuesday and Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, Noon to 5 p.m.; and is closed Monday and major holidays. Thursday evening hours are sponsored by Huntington Wealth Advisors. Friday evening hours are made possible by Fifth Third Bank.

The Museum is located at 2445 Monroe Street at Scottwood Avenue, just west of the downtown business district and one block off I-75 with exit designations posted. For general information, visitors can call 419-255-8000 or 800-644-6862, or visit toledomuseum.org.