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Columbus Museum April-May Calendar of Events *as of April 4, 2014*

NOTE: Additional events may be added. For the most updated information on events and programs offered at the Columbus Museum, and for online pre-registration (optional or required for some programs) visit the Museum's website: www.columbusmuseum.com or like us on our [Facebook](#) page.

SPECIAL COMMUNITY PROGRAMS & EVENTS

April 2014

Wednesdays, April 9-30 | 9:30-10:30 A.M.

Gallery Tales: Pre-K Edition

New for Spring 2014! Pre-K students can now participate in the popular Gallery Tales program designed specifically for their age group. *Gallery Tales: I have a job to do!* will teach students how to be a good citizen and about different types of jobs. Must register at least 2 weeks prior to visit. **FREE.**

Friday, April 11 | 7-9 P.M.

Let There Be Art! Cirque D'Art Premiere Party

Join us for a sleek and festive evening of unparalleled art, cocktails, and splendid gourmet cuisine by Chef Jamie Keating. Preview and purchase art before the show opens on April 12. Come see the circus performers and join the fun!

Register by March 20; \$80 Museum Members / \$90 Future Members.

Friday, April 11 | 9-11:30 P.M.

Let There Be Art! Late Night Under the Big Lights

Presented by The Columbus Museum's Contemporaries

All of you who are "Young at Art" join us for Late Night under the Lights at the Cirque D'Art Premier Party after party for dancing, dessert, and drinks!

Register by March 20; \$25 Contemporaries Members / \$30 Future Contemporaries Members.

Saturday, April 12 | 10 A.M

Let There Be Art! Show and Sale Opens

Art from the East coast, the South and Europe will be on display available for purchase in the Museum Galleries during normal Museum hours Saturday, April 12 – Thursday, April 17, 2014. **FREE**

Saturday, April 12 | 10 A.M.-Noon

Second Saturday

Be inspired by nature at the Art Cart in the Bradley Olmsted Garden to create a landscape using chalk pastels, then go inside the Museum for a scavenger hunt and landscape inspired word search while you explore landscapes in the permanent collection. At 11am there will be story time featuring the book *Sky Tree* by Thomas Locker. **FREE**

Sunday, April 13 | Noon-3 P.M.

Let There Be Art! Big Top Brunch with Live Jazz

Make it a family affair with live jazz performances, arts and crafts and a magic show for children plus another opportunity to purchase art. Event Designer, Bob Vardaman will be in attendance with a book signing from 12-2 PM and Atlanta artist, Allen Mason will present a FREE lecture entitled *Ten Frames: a Brief History of Style* in the Patrick Theater at 1:30 P.M.

Register by April 11; \$22 Adults / \$8 Children (4-12) / Children 3 and under are Free.

Tuesday, April 15; 11:30 AM Lecture | 12:15 Lunch & Book Signing

Let There Be Art! Dine in the Center Ring Luncheon with Bob Vardaman

The Dine in the Center Ring luncheon will feature guest speaker Bob Vardaman, an event designer known for the unique, creative talents and originality he brings to special events across the country at 11:30 am in the Patrick Theater. Following the lecture will be guests will be treated to lunch and a book signing at 12:15 PM. Lunches may be ordered to-go for guests on their lunch break. ***To-go orders are due by April 11.*** To place your to-go order, register online below and then contact us at membership@columbusmuseum.com to specify your lunch will be to-go.

Tuesday, April 15; 11:30 AM

Let There Be Art! Trip to Las Vegas Raffle Drawing

****Do Not Have to be Present to Win***

Winner will enjoy a roundtrip flight and luxury airport transportation for two from Columbus to Las Vegas, three nights in [Aria](#) Sky Suites, winner's choice of spa treatments or a round of golf, VIP Tickets to Cirque du Soleil, the Wind Dancer Package of [Maverick's Helicopter Tour](#) and winner's choice of [Sage](#) Chef's Tasting with wine pairing or \$500.00 menu credit. Second Prize: \$500 | Third Prize: \$250!

Thursday, April 24; Noon-1 P.M.

Shalom Y'All: The Valley's Jewish Heritage presented by Rabbi Schwartz

There has been a Jewish presence in Columbus since the beginning of our city's life and an organized Jewish presence for over 150 years. Rabbi Beth Schwartz of Temple Israel will talk about what that has meant for Columbus and its Jewish community, as well as Columbus' Jewish history as part of the story of American Judaism in the South. **FREE**

Friday, April 25

Valley Painters: Works from the Permanent Collection Opens

For over 60 years, the Columbus Museum has been assembling a collection of notable art by both national and regional artists. This exhibition highlights works from the collection by some of the best-known artists, both past and present, who have lived and worked in the Chattahoochee Valley. **FREE**

Wednesday, April 30; 12:30-1:30 PM

**Cultural Collaborations: Collecting and Preserving Our Valley's Cultural Heritage Panel Discussion
Schwob Memorial Library, Columbus State University**

The Columbus Museum and the Columbus State University Archives present a panel discussion of the city's Jewish history with local residents. This panel is in conjunction with the Museum's exhibition *Shalom Y'All: The Valley's Jewish Heritage*, which is on view through July 13. CSU history students have been collecting oral histories as part of this exhibit and for placement in the CSU Archives, which recently received a significant donation of archival materials from Temple Israel. This program is free and open to the public. Seating is limited. Lunch will be provided on a first come, first served basis. For more information, please contact edu@columbusmuseum.com. **FREE**

MAY 2014

Thursday, May 1 | 6:30-8 P.M

Spencer Environmental Lecture Series: Journey Along the Creek Heritage Trail

Come to the fourth installment of the Spencer Environmental Lecture Series and learn from Mike Bunn, Executive Director of the Historic Chattahoochee Commission, about the new Creek Heritage Trail. Presented by the Chattahoochee River Warden in collaboration with the Columbus Museum. **FREE**

Saturday, May 3 | 10 A.M.

Rood Creek Indian Mounds: Field Trip

Florence Marina State Park, Omaha, GA

Trena Evans, Florence Marina State Park Interpretive Ranger, will lead a tour of the Rood Creek Indian Mounds on Lake Walter F. George in western Stewart County. These eight mounds were focal points of an Indian community and served as a center for political and ceremonial activities during the Mississippian period. Participants will meet, at Florence Marina State Park, Kirby Interpretive Center, 218 Florence Road, Omaha, GA. Register at 706.649.2326 or criverwarden2@gmail.com; Admission: \$5.00

Tuesday, May 8 | 4-6 P.M.

All Star Artists: Painterly Portraits

Ages 5-9

Young artists will scout out painterly portraits in the permanent collection and examine what makes these pieces of art unique. Students will use the basics of portraiture and acrylic painting to create a portrait expressing their unique style and talent. Register at edu@columbusmuseum.com by May 6; \$15 Museum member/ \$20 Future member.

Saturday, May 10 | 10 A.M.-12 Noon

Second Saturday

Visit the *Greetings from Midtown* exhibit to see postcards from the past, then stop by the Art Cart and pick up a blank postcard to create your own work of art. Meet us in the Mezzanine for story time at 11 A.M. featuring the book, *LaRue Across America: Postcards from the Vacation* by Mark Teague. **FREE**

Sunday, May 11 | 3- 4:30 P.M.

Signature Sunday at the Columbus Museum

Enjoy a unique opportunity of your Museum membership offered only to Contributing level (\$150) members and above. Join us as an intimate group of 30 members gather for wine and small bites as we step inside the Museum vault for a glimpse at many of the treasures inside. In addition, the Director of Collections and Exhibitions Kristen Miller Zohn will discuss ways to safeguard your cherished family heirlooms and personal collections so that they can be enjoyed by future generations. Remember May 11 is Mother's Day, and this unique event makes the perfect gift! Please register by May 8 at

lnarr@columbusmuseum.com or 706.748.2562 ext. 544; \$20 Contributing Museum members and above. **Reservations are first come, first served.* Not a Contributing level member? Take this opportunity to upgrade your membership at columbusmuseum.com or contact the Membership Manager at 706-748-2562, ext. 542.

Tuesday, May 13-Friday, May 16 | 10 A.M. -2 P.M.

The Great History Mystery Homeschool Camp

Ages 6-16

Campers will explore the Museum, decode messages, and hunt for answers about American Indians in the galleries. Students are asked to bring a sack lunch each day; all other materials are included. Register and pre-pay at edu@columbusmuseum.com by May 2; \$25 Museum member/\$35 Future member.

Sunday, May 18 | 1 P.M.

William Beckman: A Drawing Retrospective: 1967-2013 Opens

As one of the leading realist artists working in the United States, William Beckman is celebrated for the intimacy and emotional power of his figurative drawings. In the first major retrospective of his works on paper, this exhibition explores Beckman's primary subject matter: the individual. The nearly fifty portraits run the gamut of captivating expressions from self-possession, to rebellion, and vulnerability. This exhibition is curated from both private and public collections and reflects the Columbus Museum's commitment to promoting, exhibiting, and collecting American drawings. **FREE**

Saturday, May 24 | 10-11 a.m.

Mini Masters

Ages 3-4

In honor of Memorial Day weekend, your child will discover what it means to be a hero as they learn about important American symbols, like the American flag and the Bald Eagle. You and your child will be inspired by pieces in the permanent collection as you work together to create a flag collage and a bald eagle art project to take home. Register at edu@columbusmuseum.com by May 22; \$5 Museum member/\$8 Future member.

Friday, May 30

Lunch & Lecture | 12:00 Noon

MidTown: Looking Back to the Future presented by Anne King

Shortly after Columbus was founded, MidTown's story began with the establishment of large suburban estates and gardens just beyond the original city limits. By 1860, Wynnton village had some 1,500 residents. Today over 22,000 people call one of MidTown's twenty-four diverse neighborhoods home. Join Anne King, Executive Director of MidTown, Inc. to better understand how the history of MidTown helps to define its distinctive character and its vibrant future. Pre-ordered lunches are available for \$10. Contact edu@columbusmuseum.com to reserve your lunch. **FREE**

Saturday, May 31 | 1-5 P.M.

Mold Making Class

Explore the techniques of mold-making and hand-building with clay and create a one part plaster mold. Register at edu@columbusmuseum.com; \$40 Museum member/\$50 Future member. All materials are included in price.

ONGOING COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

Saturdays; 11 A.M.-3 P.M.

Saturday Drop-In Tours

Every Saturday the Museum offers drop-in tours of the permanent collection and temporary exhibitions. Visitors can take an hour tour with a weekend gallery guide. These tours are free and no registration is required. Contact the Education Department, for more information at edu@columbusmuseum.com.

FREE

Youth Community Group Programs

Boys & Girls Club and Scout groups are invited to participate in special group tours and hands-on art making projects at the Museum. Group leaders are encouraged to contact the Museum to plan customized programs designed for earning badges, building skills, or just an exciting after school activity the Museum can provide the perfect opportunity for your group. Registration and a refundable deposit are required; for more information and participation fee information contact the Education Department at edu@columbusmuseum.com.

Middle and High School Group Tours

Tuesdays through Thursdays 12-3:30 P.M. & Fridays 9:30 A.M.-3:30 P.M.

Secondary classes can visit the Museum throughout the school year and choose between guided docent-led tours of the Museum or self-guided tours using suggested tour routes for historical overview or fine arts themed tours. Guided tours can be customized to cover particular subjects being covered in the classroom or can be given as an overview of the collection. Each of the suggested tour routes is based on state and national standards and meets curriculum objectives for all grade levels. Guided tours must sign-up and pre-pay at least 3 weeks prior to visit; \$1 per student; ask about the Susan Cochran Memorial Bus Fund and scholarship opportunities. Self-guided tours are **FREE**, but not eligible for the Susan Cochran Memorial Bus Fund.

CURRENT EXHIBITIONS ON VIEW

Greetings from Midtown: Historic Postcard Vignettes

On View Through June 15, 2014

Galleria Cases

This exhibition celebrates the distinctive houses, schools, businesses, and public landmarks that comprise Midtown. In addition to historic postcards, the exhibition features furniture, household items, clothing, games, and other pieces that tell the story of each particular location. **FREE**

Shalom Y'All: The Valley's Jewish Heritage

On View Through July 13, 2014

History Gallery

This exhibition focuses on Jewish life in Columbus and surrounding communities, including LaGrange and Talbotton, Georgia; Eufaula, Alabama; and West Point, Georgia/Valley, Alabama. Migration, businesses, religious and cultural institutions, and the growth, decline, and perseverance of Jewish communities in the region over time are spotlighted, all with an eye on how these local stories exemplify broader trends in Southern Jewish life. **FREE**

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