

Biggs Museum of American Art

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The Free Three: Festive Fourth Fun! July 2010 First Friday, Biggs Kids & Mini-Masters



Dover, DE –

******* The Mini-Masters program is now held from 10:00 a.m to 11:00 a.m. Please note this time change in published materials.*******

Please join the Biggs Museum at one of the several family-friendly educational programs and exhibition-related adult workshop opportunities to be offered in July 2010.

On Friday, July 2, enjoy festive Fourth of July food fare and be the first to preview the works of this year's Delaware Division of the Arts Individual Artist fellows at the *Award Winners X: Reunion First Look pARTy!* The fun continues on Saturday, July 3 at *Biggs Kids*. *Biggs Kids* will create crowns to wear during the fireworks.

On Wednesday, July 21, *Mini-Masters* will create prints using objects from nature, paint and a small roller.

About *The Free Three*

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

On the first Friday of every month, the Biggs Museum, along with several other members of the Dover arts community, serve as a venue for downtown Dover's *First Friday* program. *First Friday* is an effort to bring the public downtown the first Friday of every month to enjoy local art venues and activities. The Biggs Museum offers a free, family-friendly program each month. First Friday programs include First Look Party!'s, lectures, curator-led tours, interactive activities, and performances. Pre-registration may or may not be required for the *First Friday* program. Please see the Calendar of Events or contact the Museum for more information.

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

Event Quick-Stats

Event: First Friday: First Look Party! *Award Winners X*

Date: Friday, July 2

Time: 2:30 -4:30 p.m.

Price: Free, All Ages

Description: Enjoy festive Fourth food fare and be one of the first to preview the works of this year's Delaware Division of the Arts Individual Artist fellows.

Event: *Biggs Kids*: Firecracker Crown

Date: Saturday, July 3

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

Price: Free, Children Ages 5-10

Description: Celebrate America's birthday! Children will create crowns to wear on the Fourth of July.

Event: *Mini-Masters*: Prints Charming

Date: Wednesday, July 21

Time: 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Price: Free, Children Ages 3-5

Description: Let nature make a lasting impression with this project. Using objects from nature like leaves, flowers and twigs, we will create prints with paint and a small roller.

About the Museum

The Biggs Museum seeks to serve a diverse public as a regional museum of fine and decorative arts, made from 1700 to present, representing the State of Delaware and the surrounding Mid-Atlantic region. The Biggs Museum engages audiences through a

compelling program of temporary exhibitions and programming. The Biggs Museum encourages the development of creativity and an appreciation for art by offering a comprehensive slate of educational programming for all ages. The Biggs Museum of American Art is a private, non-profit 501(c) (3) organization.

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

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

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Top Images:

Left: *Mini-Masters*, July 2009

Center: Nina Spencer, 2010 DDOA Individual Artist Fellowship Reipient and featured artist in *Award Winners X: Reunion*

Right: *Mini-Masters*, May 2010