## Biggs Museum Art

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## Beccy Cooper Receives 2012 Museum Educator of the Year Award



Dover, DE (April 13, 2012) – Beccy Cooper, Biggs Museum Educational Programs Coordinator has been awarded the 2012 Museum Educator of the Year award by the Delaware Art Education Association. The 2012 awards ceremony was held at Aqua Sol restaurant in Bear, Delaware on Thursday, March 16 to recognize recipients in the following categories: Elementary Art Educator, Art Educator, Retired Art Educator, Museum Art Educator, and the Howard Pyle award. The Delaware Art Education Association promotes the philosophy of art education which establishes, maintains and integrates art learning as an essential part of education. The DAEA also recognizes excellence in art and art education and supports arts in the community at large. The DAEA presents annual Delaware Art Educator of the Year awards to honor outstanding DAEA members who dedicate their time to outstanding service and achievement. Ms. Cooper stated, "I feel so privileged to receive this award and to be recognized among such an outstanding group of art educators from Delaware. It's extremely rewarding to provide engaging and unique educational opportunities for children in a museum setting and to have the opportunity to collaborate with other art educators for tours, youth exhibitions and programs. This is truly an honor."

## 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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