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Tacoma Arts Month Highlights at Tacoma Art Museum

September 19, 2019 (Tacoma, WA) — Tacoma celebrates art and artists throughout the month of October and Tacoma Art Museum will be hosting a wide selection of programs, exhibitions and events. A special artist talk by Debora Moore who created *Arboria* featured in the new Benaroya Wing at TAM will be featured, as well as, Late Night at the Museum on Saturday, October 12 and Teen Night on Friday, October 18.

"We are especially excited to celebrate TAM Day on Tuesday, October 22 when admission will be pay what you can," noted TAM Executive Director David F. Setford. "We look forward to welcoming people to our TAM Day celebration and throughout the autumn with our innovative and exciting exhibitions, programs and festivals."

TAM's 15th Annual Dia de los Muertos celebration begins on October 20 with *ofrendas* (altars) created by community members, followed by a *tapete* (sand painting) installation by Seattle artist Fulgencio Lazo, and concluding with a day-long, free festival on Sunday, November 3.

DETAILS

Prairie Line Trail Celebration

Wednesday, October 3, 5:30 - 8 pm

Help celebrate the completion of the Prairie Line Trail including new artwork, gathering spaces, and innovative green stormwater features. This family-friendly event is free and includes activities for all ages. Light refreshments will be provided.

5:30 pm - Walking Tour

Leaving from S. 21st and Hood Street (behind 7 Seas Brewery Tacoma)

Join Downtown: On the Go! and artists for a walking tour along the Prairie Line Trail.

6:30 pm - Reception

Tacoma Art Museum (1701 Pacific Ave.)

Please join Mayor Victoria Woodards and other community leaders for a reception and light refreshments at the Tacoma Art Museum.



Millennial Mixer: Late Night at the Museum

Saturday, October 12, 9:45 pm – 12 am Enjoy a late night at the museum with an after party for local young professionals. The evening will feature a live DJ, hors d'oeuvers, desserts, and a cash bar. Revel in the thrill of a wine toss, spin the wheel experience, and a curated silent auction offering phenomenal art pieces. Don't forget the whiskey tasting and raffle give-away!

Cost: \$50, TAM Members \$35

Artist Talk: Debora Moore

Thursday, October 17, 6 – 7 pm

Join artist Debora Moore and Director of Special Northwest Projects, Rock Hushka, at Tacoma Art Museum for a lively discussion of her monumental glass sculptures in *Debora Moore: Arboria*. In her four sculpture installation, Moore explores the beauty and awe of seasonal change with life-size glass trees. With roots wrapping around boulders and sweeping branches laden with delicate blossoms, Moore looks to the power of nature as a symbol of resilience, dignity, and strength. Presented as part of Refract- a new glass festival in the Seattle-Tacoma region.

Cost: \$10 (\$5 TAM members/students)

Teen Night

Friday, October 18, 7-10pm

What would happen if teens took over Tacoma Art Museum? Find out at Teen Night, a teens-only event for students age 13-18. This free biannual event opens up the entire museum for gallery activities, music and dance performances, art making sessions, photo ops and dancing!

Cost: Free

TAM Day

Tuesday, October 22

In celebration of TAM's birthday, admission will be pay what you can. TAM members will receive a free cupcake while supplies last.



15th Annual Dia de los Muertos Festival

Sunday, October 20 *Ofrenda* Installation Tuesday, October 22 *Tapete* Installation Sunday, November 3, 2019 10 am – 4:30 pm Festival

Join us in celebrating Day of the Dead at TAM. Back for the 15th year, TAM will host community made *ofrendas* (altars) and *tapete* (sand painting) made by Seattle artist Fulgencio Lazo on view. The festival includes performances of dance and music, art making, traditional foods, art vendors, face painting, free access to all of the galleries, and more!

Presented in partnership with Proyecto MoLE and Centro Latino.

Cost: Free

Ongoing Exhibitions:

Monet, Renoir, Degas, and Their Circle: French Impressionism and the Northwest September 28, 2019- January 5, 2020

Bart at TAM: Animating America's Favorite Family July 20, 2019 – December 31, 2019

Metaphor into Form: Art in the Era of the Pilchuck Glass School

January 19, 2019 - On extended view

Debora Moore: Arboria

January 19, 2019 - On extended view

Key to the Collection
December 22, 2018 – October 13, 2019

Immigrant Artists and the American West February 3, 2018 – On extended view

Native Portraiture: Power and Perception February 10, 2018 – On extended view

Places to Call Home: Settlements in the West February 17, 2018 – On extended view

Winter in the West February 17, 2018 – On extended view

Animals: Wild and Captured in Bronze January 27, 2018 – On extended view

Dale Chihuly at Tacoma Art Museum – On extended view

Installations and Outdoor Sculpture

Untitled by Richard Rhodes

Current by Martin Blank

Kinetic Repose by Julie Speidel

Blanket Stories: Transportation Object, Generous Ones, Trek by Marie Watt

Explorers by Scott Fife

Leroy, The Big Pup by Scott Fife

Wings by Ginny Ruffner

Sponsorship Information

Monet, Renoir, Degas, and Their Circle: French Impressionism and the Northwest Major funding for this exhibition has been provided by Propel Insurance. Other sponsors include Nordstrom, KCTS 9, South Sound Magazine, ArtsFund, and Tacoma Arts Commission.

Bart at TAM: Animating America's Favorite Family Exhibition supported by Grit City Magazine and KXXO-FM.

Metaphor into Form: Art in the Era of the Pilchuck Glass School Exhibition supported by the Art Alliance for Contemporary Glass

Debora Moore: Aboria

Exhibition is generously supported by Nordstrom and the Art Alliance for Contemporary Glass.

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Winter in the West

Animals: Wild and Captured in Bronze

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About Tacoma Art Museum

Celebrating over 80 years, Tacoma Art Museum is an anchor in Tacoma's downtown with a mission of connecting people through art. TAM's collection contains more than 5,000 works, with an emphasis on the art and artists of the Northwest and broader Western region, 25% which consists of studio glass. The collection includes the largest retrospective museum collection of glass art by Tacoma native Dale Chihuly on permanent view; the most significant collection of studio art jewelry by Northwest artists; key holdings in 19th century European and 20th century American art; and one of the finest collections of Japanese woodblock prints on the West Coast. In 2012, TAM received a gift of more than 300 works of western American art from the Haub Family Collection, one of the premier such collections in the nation and the first major western American art museum collection in the Northwest. The Haub family also contributed \$20 million for an endowment and expansion completed in 2014. In January 2019, TAM inaugurated the Rebecca and Jack Benaroya Wing which features the extensive Benaroya collection of studio glass as well as TAM's own collection of studio glass, which was started in 1971. TAM is located in the heart of Tacoma's vibrant Museum District which consists of six museums including the Museum of Glass, a frequent collaborator.

HOURS – Tues–Sun 10 am–5 pm; FREE Neighborhood Nights every Thursday 5–8 pm **ADMISSION –** \$18 Adult, \$15 Student/Senior (65+), \$40 Family (2 adults and up to 4 children under 18), Children 5 and under free every day. Children 18 and under free every Saturday. TAM Members; active duty military, reservists, veterans, and their families always free.

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