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Enjoy a Creative, Cultural Summer at Tacoma Art Museum

TACOMA, WA (June 13, 2023) – Looking for fun things to do this summer? Tacoma Art Museum offers several regular programs and is participating in community events — and many are free of charge.

Activities and exhibitions helped TAM earn Best Museum and Best Art Gallery honors in the annual Best of the South Sound program through South Sound magazine last month. Summer is a great time to discover why TAM is a favorite local attraction.

Upcoming events at TAM include:

Juneteenth celebration: June 15

Stop by TAM while enjoying the City of Tacoma's Juneteenth celebration on June 15. Dance performances, spoken word, and a handprint mural activity are planned at Tollefson Plaza, across the street from TAM. Museum admission is free 5-8 p.m. as part of the Neighborhood Nights program. In addition, TAM visitors can pick up a printed self-tour guide highlighting Black artists on view, curated by Victoria Miles, manager of The Current, An Artist Award.

Yoga @ TAM: July 9, August 6, September 3

Start the week with wellness at Sunday morning yoga in TAM's main event space. Alycia Patterson of Tuladhara Yoga will lead a mellow flow in the 60-minute yoga practice. After class, enjoy a mimosa included in the ticket price. Free admission for TAM members; \$20 for non-members. Registration is now open for sessions on [July 9](#), [August 6](#), and [September 10](#).

Contemporaries: Monthly starting July 27

New! Join this group for young professionals, collectors, and philanthropists in the South Sound. Connect through art with food, drinks, and networking opportunities. Contemporaries plans to meet the last Thursday of the month starting July 27. Admission is \$20 for members; \$30 for non-members.

IN THE SPIRIT Northwest Native Festival 2023: August 12

Celebrate the region's Native cultures at the annual [In the Spirit Northwest Native Festival](#) on August 12. Activities take place at TAM, the Washington State History Museum, and Museum of Glass and include music, dance, artmaking, exhibitions, artist vendors, and more.

Free Neighborhood Nights: Every Thursday

Visit TAM after hours with free admission every Thursday, 5-8 p.m. [Neighborhood Nights](#) offer special programs, artmaking in [TAM Studio](#), entertainers, and exhibition viewing. [TAM Cafe](#) serves food until 6:30 p.m., and beer and wine specials are available 3-7 p.m.

T.U.P.A.C. Dance in the Museum: Second Thursdays

Move and groove at Dance in the Museum, a free dance class offered on the second Thursdays at TAM. An instructor from Tacoma Urban Performing Arts Center (T.U.P.A.C.) leads the class, open to people of all ages and abilities. The dance session starts at 6:30 p.m. and lasts about an hour.

Life Drawing at TAM: Second Thursdays

Discover new skills in the two-hour drawing class offered monthly. The 6-8 p.m. session includes a live model and instruction from Becky Frehse, local artist. Learn techniques for drawing the human form during the first hour, then practice during the one hour of free drawing that follows. All materials provided. Must be 18 years old to attend the class. Register here for life drawing class on [July 13](#), [August 10](#), and [Sept. 14](#). Admission is \$15 for members; \$30 for non-members.

Visit [TAM's website](#) for a full list of [exhibitions](#) and [events](#).

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About Tacoma Art Museum

Celebrating over 85 years, Tacoma Art Museum is the leading resource for art of the Pacific Northwest and greater western region. TAM's mission is to transform our communities by sharing art that inspires broader perspectives and cultivates a compassionate future. TAM's collection contains more than 5,400 works, with an emphasis on the art and artists of the Northwest and broader Western region, 25% of 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. TAM is in the heart of Tacoma's vibrant Museum District, which consists of six museums, including the Museum of Glass, a leader and frequent partner.

Hours: Wednesday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; FREE Neighborhood Nights every Thursday 5-8 p.m.; Friday, Saturday, Sunday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Admission: \$18 Adult, \$15 Senior (65+); free for TAM Members, children 18 and under, and active duty military, reservists, veterans and their families.

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