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Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts

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The Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts Takes Precautions to Reduce the Spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Classes, Family Events, Exhibition Openings, Tours, and Private Programs and Events are Cancelled or Postponed

The Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts, as a City Department, has cancelled all events, tours, and meetings until further notice. This comes after this morning's announcement by Mayor Steven Reed that all City of Montgomery sponsored events have been cancelled and all City venues have closed due to rising concerns about the coronavirus (COVID-19). The Museum will remain open during regular business hours.

Hours:

Galleries, Sculpture Garden, and Terrace

Tuesdays–Saturdays, 10 AM–5 PM

Thursdays, 10 AM–9 PM

Sundays, Noon to 5 PM

Café

Tuesdays–Saturdays, 11 AM–2 PM

Museum Store:

Tuesdays–Saturdays, 11 AM–4 PM

Sundays, Noon to 4 PM

Below is a detailed listing of Museum cancellations or postponements through March 31, 2020.

Cancelled or closed galleries, tours, and classes

- ArtWorks Children's Interactive Gallery: **Closed until further notice**
- All Scheduled Tours: **No tours will be scheduled through the end of March**
- Advanced Placement Art History Classes: **Cancelled until further notice**
- Afterschool Art at Mount Meigs DYS: **Cancelled until further notice**
- Gallery Arts at Montgomery Therapeutic and Recreation Center: **Cancelled until further notice**
- Learning Through Art at Wares Ferry Road Elementary School: **Cancelled until further notice**

Postponed events

- Garden Opening on Thursday, March 19 **Postponed until further notice**
- An Afternoon with Zelda on Sunday, March 29 **Postponed until further notice**

Cancelled individual events and programs

- Vann Vocal on Saturday, March 14
- Woodmere Neighborhood Association on Monday, March 16
- Artful Yoga on Wednesday, March 18
- See Me on Wednesday, March 18
- Muses on Wednesdays, March 18 and March 25
- The Museum's Film Intro at the Capri on Wednesday, March 18
- Antiquarians Meeting on Thursday, March 19
- Earth's Heart on Thursdays, March 19 and 26
- Art After 5 on Thursday, March 19
- Adult Printmaking on Saturday, March 21
- Highlights Tour on Saturday, March 21
- Montgomery Symphony Orchestra Performance on Sunday, March 22
- Docent Training on Mondays, March 23 and March 30
- Art Ed Central on Thursday, March 26
- Art Talk on Thursday, March 26
- Junior League Event on Friday, March 27
- AAEA Teacher Workshop on Saturday, March 28
- Docent Council Meeting on Monday, March 30

Updates and new information from the Museum will be updated on our website, www.mmfa.org.

MMFA Background

The Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts was founded in 1930 by a group of local artists as place for both exhibiting art and space for art education. The original intentions of our founders—to exhibit and teach—continue to inspire and inform every action and activity here at the Museum which, since 1988, has shared the 277-acre Blount Cultural Park with our partners across the lake at the celebrated Alabama Shakespeare Festival.

Today's MMFA visitors stroll art-studded grounds and permanent collection galleries. They see compelling changing exhibitions and learn about art by playing in our interactive gallery, Artworks, making art in its bustling studios, or by participating in other engaging events and programs.

While the Museum's collection is still home to the art of many of the regional artists who first established it, over time, it has become known for its strength in American art and Old Master Prints. Recent, important acquisitions of art made by African American and Asian artists and works inspired by images and themes related to the experiences of these groups represent the

breadth and depth of the lives and concerns of those who now call Montgomery and the River Region home. Through the exhibition of this work as well as the programs and events that help connect our communities with it, the MMFA is recognized as a leading arts and cultural resource here in the state and Southeastern region.

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