

TRIPS

Mary Kaye Rogers & Terry Melendez

Would you like to expand your OSU Museum experience and explore art in the region and our backyard? Our inaugural trip to Crystal Bridges Museum in Bentonville, Arkansas, was a spectacular trip to see the *Soul of a Nation: Art in the Age of Black Power* exhibition, a tour of Frank Lloyd Wright's Bachman-Wilson House, and the Crystal Bridges permanent museum collection.

Come enjoy the camaraderie of Art Advocates as we travel later this year a short distance to see exhibitions in Oklahoma City and Tulsa then join us next spring for our out-of-state trip...stay tuned for trip destinations and dates!



MASTERPIECE MESSENGER | SUMMER 2018

ONWARD

Jill Webber | Co-Chair, Art Advocates
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Hi everyone! We are so excited to launch this year's newsletter to you, our Art Advocate members!

You have been incredibly supportive of our efforts for the OSU Museum of Art the past two years and we want you to know how much your support has enabled us to accomplish. Hang on to your seats because you will be amazed! Your continued support enables our vision of enhancing and developing art engagement and art education for everyone, thus enriching our communities.

We will touch base with you again at the beginning of 2019, so watch for another very important and exciting newsletter! Please enjoy catching up with your Art Advocates recent successes!



SAVE
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DATE

SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2019 | MASTERPIECE MOMENTS

2019 Masterpiece Moments sails the sea for a Grand Tour of Europe featuring creative designs of European artists. An exquisite evening of European flair, culinary delights and fabulous auction items - with a few surprises! For more information or to design a tablescape, please contact Judi Baker at bakerju631@att.net.



UPCOMING EXHIBITIONS

AT THE OSU MUSEUM OF ART

JULY 10 - DEC 8
RECEPTION: OCT 4

Benjamin Harjo Jr.: We Are a Landscape of All We Know

SEPT 25 - JAN 19
RECEPTION: SEPT 27

Centering Modernism: J. Jay McVicker and Postwar American Art

CREATING CHANGE, COLLECTIVELY

Jena Kodesh

Our Art Advocates education mission includes aiding educators in their search for methods to improve visual, aural, kinesthetic, and tactile learning. Only the arts reach all learners.

- We are exploring partnerships with national and regional organizations that will provide the framework to guide our program expansion within public schools.
- Once we have worked out the details, we look forward to launching a pilot program to introduce our arts integration program that embraces visual art as “cement” between subjects taught and learning styles for all students.
- Stay tuned for opportunities to volunteer and collaborate with Stillwater Public Schools and our community soon.



Because of your generous support in 2018, we accomplished:

- Classroom Clay Project - “Super Heroes” involving all 3rd grade art students at Skyline Elementary with hands-on assistance from Art Advocates in the classroom. Coordinated by Stillwater Public Schools Art Educator Denise Ferrell.
- Purchased 1,000 sets of crayons for the Altrusa Backpack Buddies Project, benefitting 1,000 economically challenged students within Payne County.
- Provided scholarships for 10 students, ages 13-18, to attend the OSU Summer Art Academy.
- Provided funding for visiting artists and exhibitions at the OSU Museum of Art.

We will continue to find educational outreach opportunities which serve the mission of the OSU Museum of Art and Oklahoma State University.

MUSEUM UPDATE

Since the opening of the OSU Museum of Art four and a half years ago, we have welcomed over 28,000 visitors, hosted 37 exhibitions and employed more than 45 OSU students. Our first Art Advocates event was January 28, 2016. Soon after our first Masterpiece Moments event in April 2017, we surpassed 200 Art Advocates. Having a vibrant and engaged membership community makes a significant contribution to our programs and supports our teaching mission.

Proceeds from the Art Advocates Masterpiece Moments fundraisers the last two years have gone to support

visiting artists, workshops, scholarly lectures, panel discussions, tour programs, Second Saturdays, Final Friday Art Crawl, art education in the schools and so much more. We couldn't do all of these things without you! We appreciate your commitment to the arts and to raising awareness of the Museum in our community. Thank you!

Vicky Berry, Director, OSU Museum of Art

2018 MASTERPIECE MOMENTS AN AMERICAN ARTIST AT THE TABLE

On April 28, the Art Advocates sponsored their second fundraising gala, with Art Advocates extraordinaires Malinda Berry Fischer serving as Mistress of Ceremonies, and Jeri Seefeldt serving as Chair of the event. For the second year in a row, it was a sell-out crowd of more than 200 patrons and guests. It was a magical evening filled with 26 creative table decors by Art Advocates, each giving tribute to a different American artist. It also included exceptional live and silent auction items along with nationally renowned artist, Jude Tolar, as the featured artist painting in the round for our meandering guests. In keeping with the American theme, lively entertainment was provided by Chicagoan Colte Julian, an OSU graduate portraying Jerry Lee Lewis, with some fun accompaniment by President Burns Hargis.

This successful event grossed over \$120,000, netting over \$60,000 to the OSU Museum of Art.

This enables us to continue our mission of art education programs for our communities and schools through exhibitions and educational outreach programs.

thank you!

The Art Advocates would like to sincerely thank all 2018 Masterpiece Moments fundraiser sponsors, auction donors, and Art Advocate tablescapes designers. Our success for advancing art in our community is because of your generosity!

To see the full photo album from Masterpiece Moments, in addition to photos and videos from recent museum events, visit: museum.okstate.edu/MasterpieceMessenger

