

Public Programs at the Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art compliment "Lasting Legacies: The First 75 Years"

EUGENE, Ore. -- (February 2, 2009) – A full series of public programs at the Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art at the University of Oregon compliment the 75th Anniversary exhibition "Lasting Legacies: The First 75 Years". Programs are slated throughout the exhibit, on display from now until April 12, and provide the opportunity for individuals to learn more about the Jordan Schnitzer Museum of art and the collection.

"Lasting Legacies: The First 75 Years" is the cornerstone exhibit of a year-long celebration. This museum-wide retrospective reflects on the art in the collection and the people who have shaped the museum's past and present and will build its future.

The public programming explores the Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art's history through lectures, concerts, and free family-oriented events. The programs include:

A Tribute to Gertrude Bass Warner

Wednesday, February 18, 6:00 p.m.; Reception to follow

Who was the founding curator of the UO's art museum? Discover Gertrude Bass Warner in her own words as Jean Dorl and Marge Ramey interpret selections from Mrs. Warner's letters and other writings. Hattie Mae Nixon recounts Mrs. Warner's life in China in the early 1900s and the development of the museum's collection through the presentation of glass lantern slides taken by Mrs. Warner and her husband, Murray Warner.

Following the presentation, Hattie Mae Nixon will receive the inaugural Gertrude Bass Warner award for her dedication to the Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art. A reception honoring Mrs. Nixon will follow.

Lasting Legacies: Saturday Celebrations

Saturday, February 21, 5:30 to 8:00 p.m.

A free evening of art, food and fun celebrating the Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art's 75th Anniversary and the exhibit "Lasting Legacies: The First 75 Years." The free evening includes exhibit tours and hands-on art making activities for all ages. Community Partners: Eugene/Springfield Asian Council and Oregon Asian Celebration

Lecture: "Contemplating the Buddha"

Wednesday, March 11, 6:00 p.m.

Venerable Lobsang Thubten considers the impact of Buddhist images across the millennia and the roles art and iconographic images have played within the Tibetan tradition. Venerable Lobsang Thubten, a fully ordained Buddhist monk with the Tibetan Buddhist Study and Meditation Center in Eugene, Oregon has studied Tibetan Buddhism for 25 years. He considers

himself a 'Rime' or non-sectarian Tibetan Buddhist, having had teachers from all the major schools of Tibetan Buddhism, including HH the 14th Dalai Lama.

Happy Birthday JSMA! Free Family Day

Saturday, March 14, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Join the museum in celebrating our 75th birthday. Come explore the incredible jewels of the museum's collection of Asian art, American art and photography. We invite you to create one-of-a-kind birthday hats and fabric sushi, go on a scavenger hunt in the museum's galleries and decorate your own treasure box. Of course, birthday cake and punch provided for all!

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Chamber Music on Campus: Music of the Eras

Wednesday, April 1, 6:00 p.m.

Students and faculty from the UO School of Music and Dance celebrate the JSMA's 75 years by performing music from the 1930s, the present, and compositions that look ahead to the future.

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Saturday, April 11, 5:30 to 8:00 p.m.

A free evening of art, food and fun celebrating the Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art's 75th Anniversary and the exhibit "Lasting Legacies: The First 75 Years." The free evening includes exhibit tours and hands-on art making activities for all ages.

"Lasting Legacies: The First 75 Years," is sponsored by the Coeta and Donald Barker Foundations. Community partners include Imagine Graphics and Image King Signs. Media Partner KLCC 89.7 FM.

About the Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art

The University of Oregon's Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art is a premier Pacific Northwest visual arts center for exhibitions and collections of historic and contemporary art based in a major university setting. The JSMA features significant collections galleries devoted to art from China, Japan, Korea, America and elsewhere as well as changing exhibition galleries. The JSMA is one of six museums in Oregon accredited by the American Association of Museums.

The Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art is located on the University of Oregon campus at 1430 Johnson Lane. Museum hours are 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesdays and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays through Sundays. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for senior citizens and high school students. Free admission is given to ages 13 and under, JSMA members, college students

with ID, and University of Oregon faculty, staff and students. For information, contact the JSMA, 541-346-3027.

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