



FREEPORT ART MUSEUM

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WHO: Freeport Art Museum
WHAT: **Mini Masterpiece Exhibit**
WHEN: May 6 through July 9, 2011
WHERE: Freeport Art Museum

Mini Masterpiece Exhibition at the Freeport Art Museum

FREEPORT, Illinois - The Freeport Art Museum invites you to experience the Mini Masterpiece exhibition. Over 50 artists from across Northern Illinois and Southern Wisconsin submitted art work for exhibition. Requirements included that original art must measure six by six inches either 2-D or 3-D. To the delight of the museum, a unique and eclectic collection of work has been submitted in a wide variety of mediums such as watercolor, ink, charcoal, acrylic, metal, gourds and clay.

The Mini Masterpiece Exhibition will open Friday, May 6, 2011 and run through July 9, 2011. The Opening Event on May 6 will honor participating artists and Museum members with gourmet wine, appetizers, a professional exhibition catalog, and an exciting buy-it-now fundraiser program.

The program will offer all art work for sale starting at \$25. This exhibition is designed to encourage the purchase and appreciation of art work at an affordable price and all proceeds will benefit the Freeport Art Museum. Tickets to the Opening Gala are \$10. After the May 6 opening, the exhibition will be free for all visitors. Call to make your reservation for this Opening Event. 815-235-9755.

About the Freeport Art Museum

Established in 1975, the Freeport Art Museum shares the visual and performing arts with the people of northwest Illinois. FAM's mission is to promote an understanding of art and culture through our collections, exhibitions and education. The museum's collection contains nearly 4,000 artifacts from all continents and all time periods including ethnographic objects from Egypt, Southeast Asia, and Papua New Guinea; Pre-Columbian and Native American baskets and pottery; excellent 15th to 19th century European painting, prints and sculpture; and a significant collection of contemporary American prints, paintings, and sculpture. The Freeport Art Museum is partially supported by the Illinois Arts Council, a state agency.

The Freeport Art Museum is located at 121 North Harlem Avenue, and is open Tuesday through Friday 10 am to 5:00 pm., and Saturday from 12:00- 5:00. Tours may be scheduled by calling 815-235-9755. Admission to the Museum is FREE however, donations are gratefully appreciated.