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Landscapes from the PLACE TO BE:
Permanent Collection
OPENS Friday, September 10
32nd Elkhart Juried Regional
ART CAMP III for students
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Summer into Fall at the Museum!!!

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UNBROKEN THREAD Nature Paintings and the American Imagination The Art of Philip Koch

Continues through Sunday, September 5

This exhibition, dedicated to the memory of Dorothy Hemphill, museum member and volunteer librarian, will continue through September 5. Don't miss this opportunity to see the paintings and drawings of Maryland artist Philip Koch. You can check out the artist's website at www.PhilipKoch.com and read his blog about his visit to the Midwest Museum and Elkhart. You can send him an email about your visit to see his work as well.

As a teacher Koch uses his experiences in the natural settings of New England to illustrate his vision as an artist to his students at the Maryland Institute College of Art. As part of those experiences this Fall the artist will mark his thirteenth trip to Edward Hopper's Truro, Massachusetts, studio. The influence of Hopper's environs as well as the islands of Maine have become for Koch a resonating touchstone of the "unbroken thread" of American landscape painting over the past two hundred years.



"Down to the Bay", 2008, oil on canvas, 36" x 72", by Philip Koch (b.1948-)

The 32nd Elkhart Juried Regional is coming this Fall... see more details inside this issue.

A Place to Be: Landscapes from the Permanent Collection September 10- October 3



"A Place to Be: Landscapes from the Permanent Collection" is an exhibition of paintings, lithographs, and drawings acquired as donations over the past 31 years. Many pieces have never been seen before. The exhibit will open at the Midwest Museum of American Art on Friday, September 10, and continue through Sunday, October 3, 2010.

Landscape painting was the first American art to be called a national style. Depicting American topography and vegetation, the descriptive realism and idealized compositions of this type of painting fulfilled a desire that the United States develop an art of its own, distinct from that of Europe. Today, "landscape" as a subject in art is fixed in the collective American imagination. One can hardly image a museum collection without various examples of both the natural terra firma and the cultivated garden symbolizing the wild and untouched hinterlands or the urban refinement of human civilization.

We exist in a landscape throughout our lives. These works from the MMAA permanent collection illustrate the personal vision and relationship to the land for each artist represented allowing us to imagine ourselves in "a place to be".

This exhibit is dedicated to the late Pat Warner, a museum Docent for many years.

above: "Landscape with Boat & People", 1894, watercolor, by Junius Sloan (1827-1900). Gift of Dr. Steven Conant, Indianapolis, IN, In Honor of Kathy Gerber Gregory.

31st Elkhart Juried Regional

The Largest Awards Show in the State! \$30,500 in Awards in 2010

The 32nd Elkhart Juried Regional exhibition opens on Friday, October 8, and will continue through Sunday, December 5, 2010. This year the total awards to be given to artists will be \$30,500, with the \$1,200 Best of Show Award donated in memory of the late Alice Skoglund. For the ninth year, a special Memorial Purchase Award will be given in honor of Mary Feddersen for Photography sponsored by Ron & Connie Minzey and Stuart & Paula Barb of Elkhart. For the first year another special Purchase Award for Photography will be awarded in Memory of Ronald C. Miazga by Tom Soper & Lucy Zimmerman of Sturgis, Michigan.

In addition to the above, many individuals and corporations help to make the Elkhart Juried Regional the largest (monetary awards) competition of its kind including the following Purchase Award Sponsors: Tom & Dottie Arnold, Jennifer Abrell, Baker & Daniels, John & Nancy Banks, Steve & Traci Bollero, Liz and Tom Borger, Brian & Jeanelle Brady, Jim & Patty Brotherson, Dr. Terry Bryant and Dr. Liz Elliott, Dr. Rick and Cindy **Burns**, Drs. Daniel and Linda **Burns**, Jack and Karen Cittadine, Todd & Christine Cornell, Stan and June Disher, Craig & Connie Fulmer, Mr. Joe Greenlee, Matt & Stacy Jordan, Dr. Brian & Summer King, Mr. & Mrs. Michael Kubacki, Dr. Wesley Mark and Dr. Mary Harder, David & Cynthia Marks, Braden & Katie McCormick, Scott & Kristin Mereness, Jan & Dan Morrison, Steve & Jane Poe, Dr. David Regan, Paul Schultz & Margaret Forster, Dr. & Mrs. R. Daron Sheline, Dr. Bradley & Brooke Swanson, George G. & Abby Thomas, Warrick & Boyn, Robert Weed Plywood Corporation, Jeff & Phid Wells, Jack & Angie Welter, and Bradley Vite Fine Arts.

Merit Awards this year will include the William & Jeanne **Batten** Memorial Award for Sculpture and the Jonas **Howard** Memorial Award for Painting.

Jacqueline Moses, preeminent Artist/Painter from Chicago who recently had a solo exhibition at the State of Illinois Art Gallery and **Nick Antonakis**, Professor of Painting and Chairman of the Art Department of Grand Rapids Community College will be the judges for the 32nd Elkhart Juried Regional.

The exhibition is graciously sposored by

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Notice to Members

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Be sure to visit our website at MidwestMuseum.US

MEMBERS, Guests, & Artists
are invited to attend the
OPENING RECEPTION for the
32nd ELKHART JURIED REGIONAL
Friday Evening, October 8, 2010
from 7:00 to 9:00 PM

A Special Thank You...

The Midwest Museum of American Art would like to thank **Peggy Weed** for continuing the sponsorship of **FREE Family Sundays**. The museum is open year-round with 52 weeks of Sundays which provide a means of entertainment, togetherness, and education in a nice environment. Thanks to Peggy Weed the museum can continue its mission to bring art and culture to Elkhart citizens and residents of Northern Indiana.

Art Camp III for Children

The leader for Art Camp III will be **Jason Brewer**, licensed Art Educator from Elkhart. Art Camp III will be held at MMAA beginning **Monday**, **August 2**, **through Friday**, **August 6**.

Students will be involved with the FUNdamentals of art, learning about line, shape, & textures while creating their own exciting compositions!

Times for specific age groups are as follows:

Ages 5-7 years meet from 12:30PM to 2:00 PM.

Ages 8-12 years meet from 2:30PM to 4:30PM.

FEES: \$45./student for

the week. Call 293-6660 for registration.



Docent of the Year...

The Docent of the Year was honored at the Annual Luncheon on July 19 at the Midwest Museum of American Art. Kathy Zienty received the honor for the fifth time in 30 years for her outstanding dedication in providing the most tours during the last year and volunteering for special events. Maria Solow was voted in as Docent Chair for 2010-11 and will be assisting staff in organizing special field trips for the group.

Docents help people learn in the museum environment through touring the collections and on Free Family Sundays. Anyone interested in becoming a Docent can contact museum staff at 293-6660.

NOON3 TIME3 TALKS

A variety of Gallery Talks or Films every Thursday 3 12:20-1:00pm



AUG 5 FILM: Winslow Homer

Curator Brian Byrn introduces a film from the National Gallery about this reclusive painter who made Maine his home.

AUG 12 F. Childe Hassam (1859-1935)

Assistant Curator Stacy Jordan discusses some of the works by this American Impressionist who helped found the art colony and Old Lyme, Connecticut.

AUG 19 Marsden Hartley (1877-1943)

Curator Brian Byrn talks about this Modernist from Maine who was a part of the Alfred Stieglitz circle.

AUG 26 Arthur Dove (1880-1946)

Curator Brian Byrn connects this Modernist to his roots in New England.

SEPT 2 Fairfield Porter (1907-1975)

Assistant Curator Stacy Jordan compares the paintings of Phil Koch with Porter a 20th Century New England painter.

SEPT 9 Landscapes from the Permanent Collection

Curator Brian Byrn introduces part I of a two part series dedicated to landscape paintings from the museum's permanent collection — some never exhibited before this time.

SEPT 16 Landscapes from the Permanent Collection

Curator Brian Byrn introduces part II of his discussion about landscape paintings in the permanent collection.

SEPT 23 Charles Burchfield (1893-1967)

Curator Brian Byrn discusses this Midwestern artist who created fantasy landscapes inspired by his Ohio environment.

SEPT 30 T.C. Steele (1847-1926)

Assistant Curator Stacy Jordan discusses the most famous of Indiana painters.

OCT 7 FILM: The Art of Romare Bearden

This film explores the career of one of the most renowned African American artists whose richly textured collage work became synonymous with social issues of his day.

OCT 14 Award Winning Artist

An award winning artist discusses their art exhibited in the 32nd Elkhart Juried Regional.

OCT 21 Award Winning Artist

 $\label{eq:Analytical energy} An award winning artist discusses their art exhibited in the 32nd Elkhart Juried Regional.$

OCT 28 Award Winning Artist

An award winning artist discusses their art.

NOV 4 Award Winning Artist

An award winning artist discusses their art.

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