

Spotlight exhibit... “American Portraits from the Permanent Collection”

All works shown from the MMAA Permanent Collection on view from October 27, 2017 to April 1, 2018.



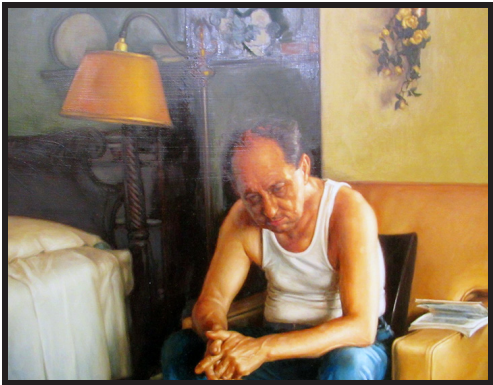
“Work is Endless”, 1984, oil on hardboard, by Harry Ahn (b.1937-)
Gift of the Artist, Berrien Springs, MI

right: “My Father”, c.1998-99, oil on hardboard, by Douglas Hofmann (b.1954-), Gift of Joseph Sheppard, Baltimore MD

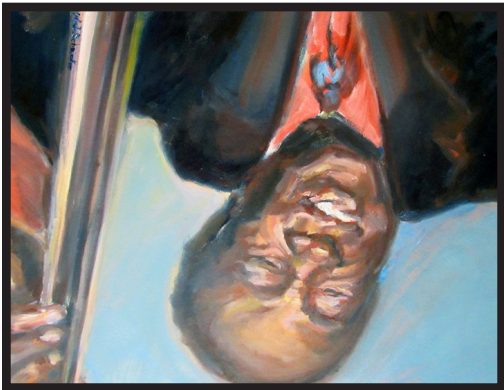
bottom panel: “Portrait of (“The Judge”), Milt Hinton”, 1990, oil on canvas, by Maxine Schacker (b.1940-)
Gift of the Artist, Toronto, Ontario, Canada



“Barbara Steinberg”, c.1970s, unique acetate negative, by Andy Warhol (1928-1987)
Gift of Dr. Steven Conant, Indianapolis, IN, In Memory of Ruth & Elsie Conant



39th Elkhart Juried
Regional exhibit
October 7 - December 3
HERE & THERE
opens December 8, 2017
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Headlines: Exhibits & Events

39th Elkhart Juried Regional

The Largest Cash Awards Show in the State!

The Midwest Museum of American Art is pleased to announce the **39th Elkhart Juried Regional Art Exhibition, October 7 - December 3, 2017**. This competition provides a unique opportunity for artists of Michiana to gain exposure in the museum setting. The exhibit has become the most important survey of the very best of what is happening currently in the

22-county area. In the last 39 seasons the museum has raised over \$750,000 in awards monies through the Purchase Award process subsequently placing art in community homes and businesses. The distinguished jurors for this exhibition are **Nick Antonakis**, Head of the Art Department, Grand Rapids Community College, and **Bill Hosterman**, Associate Professor, Art Department, Grand Valley State University. *More photos inside this issue....*



The Elkhart Juried Regional has been the most widely attended exhibit in the museum's history over the past seven years. Shown right is Terry Mark, Director of Communications for the Elkhart County Convention & Visitors Bureau with museum members.

Shown left are two exhibiting artists, Sharon Chupp & Diane Tesler, looking at the exhibit on Friday evening, October 6.



HERE & THERE

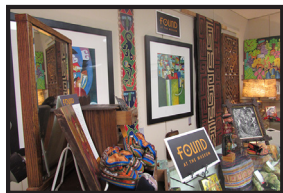
Large Scale vs Intimate Views in Photography

This exhibit features an incredible sampling of world-class photographers who have worked or are now working in the United States. In this age of cell phone cameras and social media, the ability for anyone to participate as an image maker/chronicler of their time, is in sharp technological contrast to the careful and trained eye of the artists/photographers represented here. Borrowed from a major private collection and enhanced with works from the MMAA Permanent Collection, this exhibit features works by Berenice Abbott (1898-1991), Clyde Butcher (b.1942-), Nick Brandt (b.1966-), Adam Fuss (b.1961-), Jerry Uelsmann (b.1934-), Bradford Washburn (1910-2007), and others. This is a must-see display of photography, some of which are as large as 40 by 60 inches, contrasted with small intimate images that must be viewed up close and personally. *HERE & THERE* represents timely moments captured in a variety of approaches in the global community of shadows and light. December 8, 2017 through March 2, 2018



left: "Versace Dress, Back View, El Mirage", 1990, gelatin silver print, 54" x 43", by Herb Ritts (1951-2002), Collection of Rick & Cindy Burns
right: "Chrysalis #2", 2003-04, archival pigment print, ed. 7, 74" x 43.5" by Adam Fuss (b.1961-), Collection of Rick & Cindy Burns





Renovations have resulted in a new facelift for the galleries & gift shop!
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Volunteer staff, Jackie Hughes, takes a photograph of a family visiting the museum to see "Forever Marilyn".

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Regional Artists discuss their works in the 39th Elkhart Juried Regional exhibition every Thursday!

OCT 12 Tom Meuninck, Walkerton, IN

Winner of Best Ceramic Award & the Drs. Wes Mark & Mary Harder Purchase Award.

OCT 19 Katharine Taylor, Sturgis, MI

A newcomer to the EJR speaks about her realist paintings including a self-portrait.

OCT 26 Bill Kremer, Edwardsburg, MI

The most award winning artist in the history of the show speaks about his large scale ceramic vessels; this year a winner of the Steve & Jane Poe Purchase Award.

NOV 2 Jerry Ginther, Rochester, IN

Winner of the Jack & Karen Cittadine BEST of SHOW

NOV 9 Tim Ackerson, Edwardsburg, MI

Turned-wood winner of both the Jack & Karen Cittadine Purchase Award and the Jennifer Abrell & Dr. Gordon Hughes Purchase Award.

NOV 16 Jeff Longenbaugh, Elkhart, IN

Winner of Best Photography Award.

NOV 30 George & Connie Kassal, Long Beach, IN

An artist couple discuss their life & work.

DEC 7 Film: "Magic of the Image" (27 min)

This elegant program artistically unfolds the history of photography with an emphasis on the processes involved in creating photographs.

DEC 14 HERE & THERE

Director/Curator, Brian Byrn, discusses the new exhibition of large-scale & intimate views of photography.

DEC 21 Film: "The Roots of California Photography"

The Roots of California Photography: The Monterey Legacy, is an hour long documentary chronicling the contributions of internationally known Monterey Bay Area photographers who profoundly influenced the world of photography and art.

DEC 28 Film: "Brett Weston: Photographer" (30 min)

The "photographers' photographer" and one of the most important artists of the 20th Century.



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From the Permanent Collection...

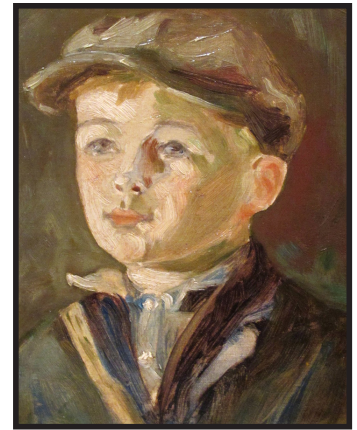
"Messenger Boy", c.1910

oil on canvas

by Robert Henri (1865-1929)

Gift of Jane Burns,
Elkhart, IN

Henri was part of a notorious group of social realists at the turn of the 20th Century who were dubbed, "The Ash-Can School."



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Highlights of the 39th Elkhart Juried Regional Awards Reception on Friday, October 6, 2017

Over \$27,000 in awards was given away to exhibiting artists this year at the Reception for the MMAA Elkhart Juried Regional held on Friday October 6 from 7-9 p.m. Artists have come to learn that they must enter their very best and current work into the show to reach success. In this way, the Elkhart Juried Regional has become the most respected and popular exhibit of its kind in the State. *Here are images of award winning artists and of the crowds at the opening Awards Reception on Friday evening, October 6...*



above: The Jack & Karen Cittadine BEST of SHOW winner, Jerry Ginther, Rochester, IN, stands beside his graphite drawing, "Looking Back." This work will join a prestigious group of now historic artworks that have been acquired for the MMAA Permanent Collection.



*above:
Dr. Dan Burns, MMAA Trustee, announced the Purchase Award winners along with Dr. Rick Burns, Trustee (left)*

below: Two ceramic artists, Marvin Bartel (left) and Tom Meuninck (right) discuss the exhibition. Meuninck won the Best Ceramic Award along with the Drs. Wes Mark & Mary Harder Purchase Award.



left: Kathy Los-Rathburn, Griffith, IN, won the special Memorial Purchase Award honoring the Memory of Charter Docent & Friend, Trudy Basquin. This work was sponsored by Victoria Garrett of Mishawaka and becomes the property of the museum.

below: Marcia Sindone, LaPorte, IN, won the William & Jeanne Batten Memorial Purchase Award for Sculpture for her mixed media assemblage titled, "Orphan Train."



right: Goshen artist, Sunday Mahaja, won the Scott & Kristin Mereness Purchase Award, for his welded steel sculpture, "Royal Highness."



*left:
Sculptor,
Tim Ackerson,
Edwardsburg, MI,
won the Jack &
Karen Cittadine
Purchase Award &
the Jennifer Abrell
& Dr. Gordon
Hughes Purchase
Award, for his
'turned' wood
vessels.*



below: Gallery Volunteer, Stella Schrader
right: Docent, Dellaura Riggle & Staff
member Randy Roberts



A Special Note of Thanks to Docents & Volunteers

We thank all of the following volunteers who donated their time (almost 200 hours) in helping museum staff organize artwork, assisting in the inventory process, preparing & checking lists & labels, catering the reception, providing security during the reception, the friendly service to all artists who entered, and staffing the front desk during the four weeks of creating the 39th Elkhart Juried Regional. Without their help it would be impossible to manage this exhibit.

THANK YOU to...

Jan Atwood, Linda Burns, Sarah Burns, Lisa Byrn, Joyce Cleaveland, Sheila Cook, Larry Cook, Wendell Culp, Sharon Feddersen, John Feddersen, Joan Grimes, Jackie Hughes, Frank Hughes, Adah Lynn, Jane Poe, Dellaura Riggle, Celeste Ringuette, Kathy Royer, Stella Schrader and Ken & Kathy Zienty.



above: Todd Hoover, South Bend, IN, stands next to his four-part photograph entitled, "Quaternary #1", that won the Ron Miazga Memorial Purchase Award for Photography. It will join the MMAA Permanent Collection.



above:
Bonnie Rock, Plymouth, IN, won the Best Mixed Media Award for her assemblage titled, "In a Little Town Called Plymouth"



above: Laurie Schirmer Carpenter, Valparaiso, IN, with her painting titled, "White Barn in Autumn", that won the Drs. Dan & Linda Burns Purchase Award.

left: Robert Kuntz, South Bend, IN, won the Dr. Rick & Cindy Burns Purchase Award.

below: An elated Mark Vander Vinne, Porter, IN, received the Joe & Yohanna Greenlee Purchase Award for, "Woods Shadow Play", and sold his second work before the opening.





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If you haven't been to the MMAA lately, we invite you to come in and enjoy our exhibits.

For your convenience, an envelope is enclosed for your donation. Thank you! We appreciate you!

Sincerely,

Brian Byrn
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