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The Big Catch Seasonal Saturday on November 11 at the Minnesota Marine Art Museum

WINONA, MN (November 6, 2023) - Minnesota Marine Art Museum

On Saturday, November 11, the Minnesota Marine Art Museum (MMAM) will hold its Fall Seasonal Saturday event focused on the theme, *The Big Catch*, inspired by MMAM's current series of exhibitions that explore fish and other wildlife living below the water's surface. Seasonal Saturdays strive to reduce intimidation and increase comfortable access to the arts for everyone by offering fun-filled, inviting days, with \$1 admission, free transportation, an art activity, artist-led programming, live music in the galleries, and 30-minute guided tours. In honor of Veteran's Day, all veterans will receive free admission to MMAM on November 11.

Activities at the Fall Seasonal Saturday's event include live music in the MMAM galleries by H3O (jazz) from 11 a.m - noon, and by Jim Rieneke (jazz mandolin) from 3 - 4 p.m. Annie Grossarth-Nicol, the owner of Rose Colored Glass studio in downtown Winona, will be doing an artist demonstration from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. During this demonstration, she will be working with a torch and rods of glass to create various glass sculptures, including fishing lures. Inspired by the current exhibition *From Sea to Paper: The Gyotaku Prints of Dwight Hwang*, participants will be able to try creating their own gyotaku fish print. MMAM's Fall Seasonal Saturday Community Partner, Merchant's Bank will be onsite from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m, and everyone's favorite search-and-find bingo game will be available to play for a prize throughout the day.

Project FINE will be at MMAM from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. to offer interpretation for Spanish and Hmong speaking participants. MMAM is pleased to offer free rides to and from the museum with the Winona Transit Service Dial-a-Ride. Please call 507-454-6666 to schedule your ride.

Seasonal Saturdays are made possible by the voters of Minnesota through a grant from the Minnesota State Arts Board, thanks to a legislative appropriation from the arts and cultural heritage fund. Seasonal Saturdays are also supported by our generous sponsors: Winona Community Foundation, WNB Financial, BNSF, Winona Foundation, and Coca-Cola of Winona.

The Minnesota Marine Art Museum is a nonprofit art museum that creates meaningful art experiences that explore our relationship with water. Located in Winona, Minnesota, the purpose-built museum is located on the banks of the Mississippi River and boasts six galleries, an educational and events space, and a destination retail shop on its seven acre riverside campus. It is through this surprising diversity that MMAM is not only describing what marine art is, but pushing the boundaries of what marine art can be.

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