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Joslyn Art Museum Celebrates Omaha Gives! With a Day of Special Events

Omaha, NE – In celebration of the Omaha Community Foundation's Omaha Gives! 24-hour charitable challenge on Wednesday, May 21, Joslyn Art Museum invites the public to enjoy a day of drop-in events and a special lecture and lunch.

From midnight to midnight on May 21, donors may support the Museum, along with other nonprofits, by making a donation of \$10 or more online through Joslyn's website. To make the days gifts go further, Omaha Community Foundation has secured \$102,000 in prize money for the nonprofits that receive the most support and are currently raising matching funds to further amplify the donations.

Onsite on May 21, Joslyn Art Museum's galleries will be open to visitors from 10 am to 4 pm, with a guided public tour of the newly-reinstalled modern and contemporary galleries at 1 pm. General admission to the Museum, including the public tour, is free. Several special events have been planned for the day as well. These include:

Learn at Lunch

11:30 am–12:30 pm

Free; limited seating available; reservations required by emailing adougherty@joslyn.org

Enjoy a complimentary sack lunch while taking in a fascinating slide-illustrated lecture about the arts in early Omaha, presented by Brooke Masek, Joslyn's executive and curatorial assistant. Learn

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Omaha Gives! Events at Joslyn Art Museum

how the cultivation of an appreciation for the arts in our community resulted in Joslyn's world-class permanent collection.

Artful Snacking
12:30–2:30 pm
Free; drop-in

Joslyn is setting up a special seating area in the atrium for relaxing and connecting with other visitors. All ages are welcome to pause in the “lounge” for complimentary popcorn and lemonade.

Alternation of Mood
4:30–6:30 pm
Free; drop-in @ Kent Bellows Studio (3303 Leavenworth)

Stop by after work for cocktails and snacks at Kent Bellows Studio, home of Joslyn's Kent Bellows Mentoring Program. View the current young artist exhibition, *Alternation of Mood*, and have fun with a scavenger hunt designed just for Omaha Gives!

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Our Mission – Joslyn Art Museum collects, preserves, and interprets the visual arts of the highest quality, fostering appreciation and enjoyment of art for the benefit of a diverse audience.

Our Vision – To be cherished and respected as a premier art museum.

Joslyn Art Museum collects art from ancient times to the present. The Museum was a gift to the people of Omaha from Sarah Joslyn in memory of her husband, George, who made his fortune as president of the Western Newspaper Union. The Museum's original 1931 building is one of the finest examples of Art Deco architecture in the nation, with 38 types of marble from seven countries. The Walter and Suzanne Scott Pavilion, a 58,000-square-foot addition built in 1994, was designed by renowned British architect Norman Foster as his first U.S. commission. The Museum features galleries, a 1,000-seat concert hall, fountain court, education technology gallery, lecture hall, classrooms, sculpture garden, café, and shop.

General Museum Admission: Free (additional charge for some special exhibitions).

Regular Museum Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 10 am–4 pm; Thursday, 10 am–8 pm; closed Monday and major holidays.

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