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# Summer Programs at MAM Offer Creative Outlet for All Ages

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The Missoula Art Museum is open for normal hours (Tuesday through Saturday, 10 AM to 5 PM) with enhanced cleaning and sanitation procedures in place. Please note that a maximum number of twenty-five visitors is allowed in the building at one time.

MAM is excited to present the following in-person events throughout the summer:

# FOR ADULTS

Looking Together: A new take on museum tours! Beginning June 8, FREE one-hour tours of MAM will be offered twice a day at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m., Tuesday through Friday. Each tour will be led by a MAM staff member. In order to decrease contact between groups, each tour group will be limited to nine people. Take an art break in the galleries! Call the front desk during open hours, or email <u>info@missoulaartmuseum.org</u> to reserve a tour.

#### **Embodied Engagement**

#### Weekly, beginning June 16 // 12-1 PM // FREE

Visitors of all abilities are invited to this gentle guided experience with art using alternative forms of engagement, like breath, stillness, intention, and mindful movement. Each session will take place in different exhibitions over the course of the summer, as well as outside in the Art Park, weather permitting. Reservations requested — please call the museum. Chairs, stools, and floor mats will be available. Open to all ages and abilities. This event will be livestreamed on Facebook for those wishing to tune in from home.

#### **Lunch Club**

# Wednesday, August 5 // 12–1 PM // FREE

Bring your coworkers and a bag lunch for a mini-tour and conversation. MAM's education staff will lead a 30minute art experience with conversational prompts in the galleries. Following the tour, participants will engage in lively conversation over lunch in the Art Park. Limited to one business or organization, with a maximum of nine participants per session. Contact Kay Grissom-Kiely, Curator of Education, at kay@missoulaartmuseum.org to sign up.

#### FOR TEENS

#### Teen Open Studio

Weekly, beginning June 25 (no session July 2) // 2-4 PM // FREE

Each Thursday MAM will host open studio time for teens. Set in an inspiring and informal environment, teens can bring in their own artwork or use materials provided to make their own creations. Pizza and snacks will be provided. Sessions will be held in the Missoula Art Park, weather permitting. MAM's education team will be onsite for each session. Bring a friend and follow @mam\_teens on Instagram!

#### FOR KIDS

# free admission free expression



#### **Summer Camps**

Weekly summer camps will be offered on a modified basis in accordance with local and national health guidelines. MAM is committed to providing a fun and safe space for kids to create during the summer. The spacious classroom, Art Park, and museum galleries are filled with engaging contemporary art. Each weekly session will be limited to nine participants and will run weekdays through August 14. Scholarships are available. Visit missoulaartmuseum.org to see available camp sessions, or to register.

# **ARTreach**

In lieu of in-person field trips to the museum, MAM will offer a free virtual version of ARTreach programming this summer, beginning June 15. Visit the galleries virtually and follow along with an art project based on *Earthborn: 30 Seconds to 40 Moons*. Camps and community organizations are welcome to book small group tours at the museum (see Tours above) if they wish. On-site visits to the campsite or organization, led by exhibiting artist Elizabeth Stone are also available. Each session aims to promote self-discovery through an interactive museum experience and artmaking. Campers will learn that MAM is a FREE, family-friendly place that everyone can call "home."

**About MAM:** Founded in 1975 and accredited by the American Association of Museums since 1987, MAM is emerging as the leading contemporary art museum in the Intermountain West. MAM is situated on the traditional, ancestral territories of the Séliš (Salish or "Flathead") and Qlispé (upper Kalispel or Pend d'Oreille) peoples. MAM is committed to respecting the indigenous stewards of the land it occupies. Their rich cultures are fundamental to artistic life in Montana and to the work of MAM. MAM is a fully accessible, free public museum boasting eight exhibition spaces, a library, and education center in the heart of Missoula's historic downtown.

# If you would like more information about this topic, please call Kay Grissom-Kiely at 406.728.0447 or email kay@missoulaartmuseum.org.

