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**Community Arts Day at the Mobile Museum of Art
Hands on Shared Expressions and Arts Expo 2011**

Mobile, Al – July 22, 2011 – The Mobile Museum of Art is hosting a community arts extravaganza Saturday, August 20 in the Museum’s Grand Lakefront Lobby beginning at 10 a.m. In cooperation with the Mobile Arts Council, more than two dozen local performing and visual arts organizations will be on hand providing information about upcoming shows and events during Art Expo, 2011. Following the Expo is Hands-on Shared Expressions featuring informative discussions and studio opportunities in conjunction with the current exhibition “Shared Expressions: The Bay Area Art Partners, 2011” on view through September 25.



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Hands-on Shared Expressions begins with a “Conversation with the Curators” at 1 p.m. Guest-curators Robert Bantens and John Cleverdon will share their experiences choosing works by artists Lee Hoffman, Frances Mutchnick and Jack Sanders who are featured in a special-focus component of “Shared Expressions.” In the spirit of celebrating the community contributions of these artists, audience participation is encouraged.

Hands-on Shared Expressions continues with “Hands-on Workshops” from 2-4 p.m. Explore six mini-studios presented by members of Azalea City Quilters Guild, Camera South Photography, Coastal Clay Coalition, Mobile Art Association, Sumi-e Society of America, Shibui Chapter and The Watercolor and Graphic Arts Society of Mobile. Dabble in watercolor techniques and take home a matted masterpiece. Try Sumi-e, East Asian brush painting. Hand-stitch a quilt square. Glaze ceramic tiles and see a pottery wheel demonstration. Learn about photography techniques and bring work samples for tailored tips or a portfolio review. Find out how to take your visual art interests to the next level, including a local art scholarship for college students.

Admission to the Expo and museum galleries is free. Hands-on Shared Expressions programs are included with regular admission and included with museum membership.

Shared Expressions is a bi-annual showcase of the many arts organizations that nurture and celebrate the wide variety of art styles and media in the Mobile area. Participating organizations include the Mobile Art Association, The Watercolor & Graphic Arts Society, Camera South, the Coastal Clay Coalition, the Azalea City Quilters Guild and the Shibui Chapter of the Sumi-é Society of America.

The Mobile Museum of Art hosts special exhibitions from world-famous museums and collectors throughout the year. Open Monday through Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Museum operations are made possible, in part, by funding from the City of Mobile, Mobile County, the Alabama State Council on the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts.

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