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Staten Island Museum's 62nd Annual Fence Show ***The second longest running outdoor art show in NYC***

Date: Saturday, September 15, 2012

* Rain date: Sunday, September 16, 2012

Time: 11:00am – 5:00pm

Location: Snug Harbor Cultural Center & Botanical Garden (Adjacent to Building A)

Price: Free for audience, Artist Fee: \$30 - \$65

(Staten Island, NY – August 2012) The second longest running outdoor art show in New York City history is back and looking for artists to display their fine arts and contemporary crafts. The Staten Island Museum's 62nd Annual Fence show is open to artists of all ages and mediums to display and/or sell their original creations on the grounds of Snug Harbor Cultural Center on **Saturday, September 15 from 11am – 5pm**. Applications are now available to pick up at the Museum, or download from the Museum's website. Artist's display spaces are 8' x 10' and range from \$30 - \$65, no more than two artists per space.

Only original artwork and crafts of the highest caliber will be accepted. Crafts must be handmade, not mass produced, and please, no garage sale items or photo reproductions. Also, returning this year is the special Jr. Division for young artists ages 8 – 18.

Last year's event welcomed over 2,000 visitors and 100 artists to the historic grounds of Snug Harbor, the future home for the Staten Island Museum. The Museum's goal is always to grow this trademark event, expose new and seasoned artists to the Staten Island community and visa-versa. This year, the Museum is collaborating with Musical Chairs Chamber Ensemble who will be performing an open air music festival during the Fence Show. Another addition to this year's line-up is a fleet of food trucks, so prepare to stay the day!

MCCE's Open Air Music Festival will be four hours (12pm – 4pm) of free, high quality music, all outdoors, featuring music by composers Sean Friar, MCCE composer-in-residence 2012-13 who is making his Staten Island debut; Andrew Rosciszewski, MCCE composer-in-residence 2011-12; Andrew Serman, MCCE composer-in-residence 2005-06; Mick Rossi, MCCE composer-in-residence 2007-08; and Matt McBane, MCCE composer search winner. Featuring: Tamara Keshecki, flute; Clarice Jensen, cello; Lucille Corwin, violin; Amanda Romano, harp; Andrew Rosciszewski, electric bass; Vince Livolsi, percussion and more to be announced. Also performing as a collaboration with MCCE is WaFoo, a Japanese/jazz ensemble and Eyes on Infitiy, a prog/rock band.

Snug Harbor Cultural Center is just 10 minutes away from the ferry on bus #40. Free street parking is available right outside of both the East and West gates (Fillmore Street and Snug Harbor Road) and on Richmond Terrace. For more information, please contact Donna Pagano at 718.483.7106, or DPagano@StatenIslandMuseum.org or visit StatenIslandMuseum.org for artist applications and details.

Special thanks to the general contractor of the Staten Island Museum's Building A Capital Expansion. C&L Corporation has generously sponsored the fencing for this year's event.



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About the Staten Island Museum

Founded in 1881 and celebrating its 130th year, the Staten Island Museum, New York City's only general interest museum, engages visitors with interdisciplinary exhibitions and educational programs that explore the dynamic connections between natural science, art and history based on its diverse collections. The Museum welcomes about 80,000 adults and school children to a comprehensive array of programs every year. Located two blocks from the Ferry Terminal, visitors can embark on a voyage through time in the Staten Island Ferry exhibit; see rocks glow in the dark in the Hall of Natural Sciences; and experience the lives of Staten Island's first inhabitants. In Building H on the Snug Harbor Campus, visitors can explore the latest exhibitions in the History Center Gallery, or make a research appointment for the History Archives & Library. Staten Island Museum is owned by the City of New York and benefits from public funds provided through the New York City Department of Cultural Affairs. For current exhibitions, visit Statenislandmuseum.org

Visitor Information

Staten Island Museum (St. George)

75 Stuyvesant Place

Hours:

Monday – Friday: 11:00am – 5:00pm

Saturday: 10:00am – 5:00pm

Sunday: 12:00pm – 5:00pm

Universal Accessibility

Recommended Admission

Adults \$3.

Students & Seniors \$2.

Members & Children under 12 FREE

History Center & Archives

1000 Richmond Terrace, Snug Harbor, Bldg H

Hours:

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 10:00pm – 4:00pm

By appointment only.

Contact Cara Dellatte at 718.483.7122

History Gallery Hours

Tuesday – Friday: 1:00pm – 4:00pm

FREE