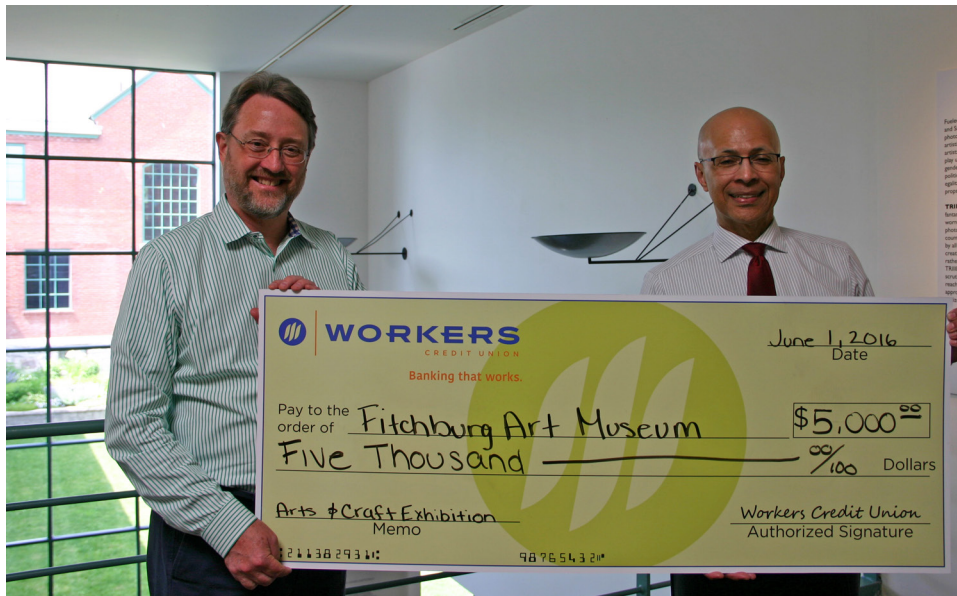


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81st Regional Exhibition of Art & Craft



Fitchburg Art Museum's Director Nick Capasso (left) thanks Workers Credit Union's Darryl Richardson, assistant vice president, branch manager, for sponsoring through its Charitable GiveBack Program the museum's 81st Regional Exhibition of Art & Craft, which will be on display June 24 through Sept. 4. To learn more, www.fitchburgartmuseum.org.

The Regional Exhibition of Art & Craft is one of the oldest juried exhibitions in New England. This annual summer tradition at the Fitchburg Art Museum strives to discover, encourage, and celebrate the artists and crafters of our region. The Regional Show provides our artist community with a museum environment to exhibit their artwork and opportunities to connect with fellow artists, arts patrons, and enthusiasts.

The First Prize winner of the 81st Regional Exhibition of Art & Craft will receive a solo exhibition in the summer of 2017.

FAM extends a warm thank you to this year's juror, Erin Becker, the Norma Jean Calderwood Director of the Cambridge Art Association. We would also like to express our gratitude to the artists and crafters that continue to make this FAM tradition one of the highlights of our year.

The 81st Regional Exhibition of Art & Craft is sponsored in part by generous contributions from Workers' Credit Union, the Massachusetts Cultural Council and the Cultural Councils of Acton/Boxborough, Ashburnham, Athol, Ayer, Bolton, Fitchburg, Groton, Harvard, Hubbardston, Lancaster, Lunenburg, Maynard, Princeton, Stow, Townsend and Winchendon.



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This exhibition was organized by Koch Curatorial Fellow Emily M. Mazzola.

Please note: the artworks in this exhibition are for sale and a percentage of the proceeds benefit the Fitchburg Art Museum. Price lists can be found in the small binders located in each gallery. Should you wish to purchase an artwork, please speak with our Visitors Services representative at the front desk.

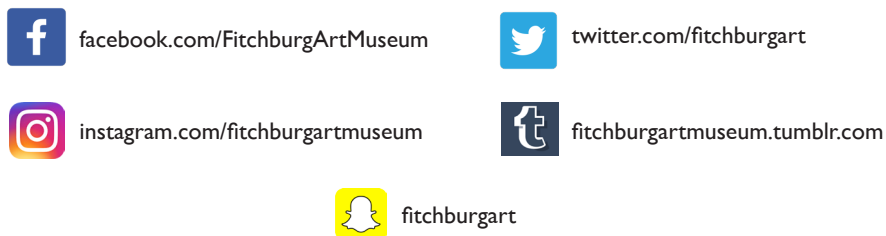
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The Fitchburg Art Museum serves the cities of Fitchburg and Leominster and the surrounding communities in North Central Massachusetts and Southern New Hampshire. FAM was founded in 1925, and its five-building complex, with over 20,000 square feet of exhibition space, features exhibitions from its art historical collections as well as special exhibitions focused on New England contemporary art. FAM plays a vital role in the cultural life of the region and the Museum maintains active educational partnerships with the local school systems, as well as Fitchburg State University. FAM is an engine for creativity, education, community building and fun!