



February 2006

**Celebrate Mardi Gras and Carnival at the Brooklyn Museum's
Free *Target First Saturday* on March 4 from 5 to 11 p.m.**

At the Brooklyn Museum's ***Target First Saturdays***, thousands of visitors enjoy **free** programs of art and entertainment each month. March's event celebrates Mardi Gras and Carnival with an exciting mix of live music, film, art making, a Brazilian dance party, and more.

From **6 to 8 p.m.**, celebrate Mardi Gras with the sounds of **Jeff Newell's New-Trad Octet**, a Brooklyn-based band that plays Mardi Gras music with a twist. At **6:30 p.m.**, see **Drama of Works** and **2 Punks Puppet Theatre** combine overhead projection and traditional shadow puppetry to tell a tale from rural Cajun country. *Free tickets available at the Visitor Center beginning at 5:30 p.m.* From **6:30 to 8:30 p.m.**, decorate your own picture frame with shells, buttons, fabric, paper, and more inspired by the work of **Aminah Brenda Lynn Robinson**. *Free timed tickets are available in the Education Gallery beginning at 6 p.m.* At **7 p.m.**, Curator **Charlotta Kotik** leads a tour of the exhibition ***Symphonic Poem: The Art of Aminah Brenda Lynn Robinson***. *Free tickets at the Visitor Center beginning at 6 p.m.* At **8 p.m.**, a Museum Student Guide shares a new perspective on the Museum's Islamic collection. At **8:30 p.m.**, the **Brooklyn International Film Festival** presents ***Mouth to Mouth*** (Alison Murray, 2004, 102 min., adult themes), winner of the Grand Chameleon Award and Best Feature Film prize at last year's festival. *Mouth to Mouth* tells the story of a teenager who joins a politically radical posse of street kids. *Free tickets available at the Visitor Center at 7:30 p.m.* At the **Dance Party** from **9 to 11 p.m.**, the band **Grupo Saveiro** brings the energy and excitement of Brazilian Carnival to the Museum. The band has performed at Rio de Janeiro's world-famous Carnival parades and has twice been voted the best Brazilian band in the U.S. by the Brazilian International Press Association. At **8 p.m.**, prior to the party, **Stepping Out Dance Studio** instructors will lead samba dance lessons. Also, visitors are invited to stop by the Grand Lobby from **5 to 11 p.m.** and cast a vote for the photo that most sparks their imagination. Inspired by **William Wegman's** drawings that imagine what lies beyond the boundaries of a photograph, the Museum's Student Advisory Board solicited funny and strange work from local amateur photographers. Come back during April's *Target First Saturday* to check out the winners.

Throughout the evening, a cash bar will offer beer and wine, and the Museum Café will serve a wide variety of sandwiches, salads, and beverages. The Museum Shop will remain open until 11 p.m. Some *Target First Saturday* programs have limited space and must be ticketed; lines for free tickets often form 30 minutes in advance. Programs are subject to change without notice. Museum galleries are open until 11 p.m. Parking is a flat rate of \$4 from 5 to 11 p.m.

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MARCH 4 SCHEDULE OF PROGRAMS

6–8 p.m. World Music: Jeff Newell's New-Trad Octet plays Mardi Gras music with a twist.

6:30 p.m. Family Performance: Drama of Works and 2 Punks Puppet Theatre tell a tale of rural Cajun country and a Mardi Gras feast. *Free tickets available at the Visitor Center at 5:30 p.m.*

6:30–8:30 p.m. Hands-On Art: Decorate your own picture frame with shells, buttons, fabric, and more inspired by the work of Aminah Brenda Lynn Robinson. *Free timed tickets available in the Education Gallery beginning at 6 p.m.*

7 p.m. Curator Talk: Charlotta Kotik discusses the exhibition *Symphonic Poem*. *Free tickets available at the Visitor Center at 6 p.m.*

8 p.m. Young Voices: A Student Guide to the Islamic galleries.

8–9 p.m. Free Dance Lesson: Stepping Out Dance Studio teaches samba.

8:30 p.m. Film: *Mouth to Mouth* (Alison Murray, 2004, 102 min., adult themes). Presented by Brooklyn International Film Festival. *Free tickets available at the Visitor Center at 7:30 p.m.*

9–11 p.m. Dance Party: The band Grupo Saveiro performs high-energy Brazilian Carnival music.

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