



February 2006

## **Brooklyn Museum Presents March/April Public Programs For Families and Adults**

The Brooklyn Museum will present a variety of family and adult public programs in March and April, including gallery talks, music, film, dance, and art making in conjunction with the exhibitions *William Wegman: Funney/Strange* and *Symphonic Poem: The Art of Aminah Brenda Lynn Robinson*.

### **FAMILY PROGRAMS**

#### **Saturdays and Sundays, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. ART MAKING**

##### ***Arty Facts***

For children ages four to seven and their adult friends. Explore the galleries, enjoy a family activity, and create art in each ninety-minute class. In March discover a multiplicity of transformations, such as a simple bag into a beaded purse, or a human changing into an animal, and then make inspired combinations. In April explore decorations and experiment with fun, funky, and unusual materials. *Arty Facts* offers a different program each day and begins promptly in the Grand Lobby every Saturday and Sunday at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. *Please do not bring siblings younger than four or older than seven. There will be no Arty Facts on April 15 or 16 due to the holiday weekend.*

*Arty Facts* is made possible by the Picower Foundation.

#### **Sunday, March 19, 3 to 5 p.m. MUSIC**

##### **Music off the Walls: "Carnival of the Animals"**

William Wegman's weimaraner photographs are the inspiration for this family-oriented concert featuring dogs and other animals in music. Selections from Saint-Saëns' *Carnival of the Animals* are interspersed with works by George Gershwin, Erik Satie, and the premiere of a commission by Brooklyn composer Aaron Grad. A free gallery talk led by a Museum Guide precedes the concert at 2 p.m. For more information or to purchase concert tickets call the Brooklyn Philharmonic at (718) 488-5913. Museum Members receive discounts on tickets and subscriptions.

### **ADULT PROGRAMS**

#### **Saturday, March 11, 3 p.m. ARTIST TALK**

##### ***William Wegman: Funney/Strange***

Artist William Wegman leads a gallery talk in the exhibition of his work, *Funney/Strange*. A book signing follows.

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**Sunday, March 12, 2:30 to 5 p.m. ART MAKING**

**Hands-On Art: *Symphonic Poem***

Drawing on themes in the exhibition *Symphonic Poem: The Art of Aminah Brenda Lynn Robinson*, local artist Sophie Sanders leads a mixed media art-making workshop exploring the creative process, issues of heritage, and personal journeys.

**Saturday, March 25, 2:30 to 5 p.m. ART MAKING**

**Hands-On Art: *Symphonic Poem***

(See March 12)

**Sunday, March 26, 12 to 6 p.m. FILM**

**Movies @ the Museum: *William Wegman: Funney/Strange***

*Funney/Strange*: A cycled screening of William Wegman's provocative and pioneering work in film and video. Selections include experimental shorts that combine Wegman's artistry, wit, and oftentimes cross-species collaboration, and challenge common conventions and authority. Both children and adults should not miss "The Hardly Boys," a spoof on the classic mystery series starring two curious canines; or a compilation of the beloved segments Wegman created for *Sesame Street*.

**Sunday, March 26, 3 p.m. ARTIST TALK**

***William Wegman: Funney/Strange***

Andrea Beeman, artist assistant to William Wegman, leads a gallery talk in the exhibition of *Funney/Strange*, focusing on his video and film work.

**Saturday, April 8, 2:30 to 5 p.m. ART MAKING**

**Hands-On Art: *Symphonic Poem***

Drawing on themes in the exhibition *Symphonic Poem: The Art of Aminah Brenda Lynn Robinson*, local artist Sol Sax leads a mixed media art-making workshop exploring the creative process, issues of heritage, and personal journeys.

**Sunday, April 9, 4 p.m. DANCE**

**Dance Forum: *Symphonic Poem***

See new works by emerging and established choreographers and performance artists inspired by the exhibition *Symphonic Poem: The Art of Aminah Brenda Lynn Robinson*. Dance Forum will include mixed-media performances that explore materials and themes found in Robinson's work, including puppetry, history, and identity. The concert is curated by Rebecca Davis and features a question-and-answer session with the artists following the performance.

**Saturday, April 22, 12 to 6 p.m. FILM**

**Movies @ the Museum: *William Wegman: Funney/Strange***

(See March 26)

**Saturday, April 22, 3 p.m. ARTIST TALK**

***William Wegman: Funney/Strange***

(See March 11)

**Sunday, April 23, 3 to 5 p.m. MUSIC**

**Music off the Walls: "Homespun"**

The exhibition *Symphonic Poem: The Art of Aminah Brenda Lynn Robinson* features work by Robinson that documents the lives and histories of her family, friends, and community. The Philharmonic responds with a celebration of composers' music for family and friends, including works by Mozart, Schubert, Dvorák, and Bernstein. A free gallery talk led by a Museum Guide precedes the concert at 2 p.m. For more information or to purchase concert tickets call the Brooklyn Philharmonic at (718) 488-5913. Museum Members receive discounts on tickets and subscriptions.

**Saturday and Sunday, April 29 and 30, 12 to 6 p.m. FILM**

***Movies @ the Museum: BAC 40<sup>th</sup> International Film and Video Festival***

The Brooklyn Arts Council (BAC) presents its 40<sup>th</sup> International Film and Video Festival. The Saturday program will be immediately followed by a reception at the Museum. For program details visit [www.brooklynartscouncil.org](http://www.brooklynartscouncil.org) or call (718) 625-0080.

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**GENERAL INFORMATION**

**Admission:**

Contribution \$8; students with valid I.D. and older adults \$4. Free to Members and children under 12 accompanied by an adult. Group tours or visits must be arranged in advance by calling extension 234.

**Directions:**

Subway: Seventh Avenue express (2 or 3) to Eastern Parkway/Brooklyn Museum stop; Lexington Avenue express (4 or 5) to Nevins Street, cross platform and transfer to the 2 or 3. Bus: B71, B41, B69, B48. On-site parking available.

**Museum Hours:**

Wednesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; First Saturday of each month, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.; all other Saturdays, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day.