



Toni Dove, *The Dress That Eats Souls*, artist's studio, work in progress, segment 1950's (detail), 2017. ©Toni Dove.

CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 2018



The Ringling

EXHIBITIONS



ON VIEW
MUSEUM OF ART

OPENING FEB 11
HANK WILLIS THOMAS: *BRANDED/UNBRANDED*

OPENING FEB 25
TONI DOVE: *EMBODIED MACHINES*

THROUGH MAR 18
ALFRED EISENSTAEDT: *DEFINING MOMENTS*



ON VIEW
BAYFRONT GARDENS

THROUGH JUN 1
*CIRCLE OF ANIMALS/
ZODIAC HEADS*



ON VIEW
CIRCUS MUSEUM

THROUGH MAY 7
250 YEARS OF THE CIRCUS IN PRINT

From the top: Hank Willis Thomas, *The men cheered!* 1945/2015, 2015. Digital chromogenic print, 28 1/16 x 50 inches. William Capon, *Exterior View of Astley's Amphitheatre as it appeared in 1777.* Ink on paper, etching, aquatint, 8 1/2 x 11 in. Tibbals Circus Collection.

STAGE + SCREEN



NEW STAGES: A WORLD OF MUSIC

HISTORIC ASOLO THEATER
\$30 / \$27 for Members / \$10 Student w/ID

SOMI

Petite Afrique: The Other Black in Harlem is a song cycle inspired by Little Harlem—its ornate traditional fabrics, Francophone bibles, palm oil and shea butter, and tribes of fast-fingered hair braiders.

NATIONAL THEATRE LIVE

HISTORIC ASOLO THEATER
\$20 / \$18 for Members

Join us for HD screenings of productions from the U.K.'s National Theatre—filmed with cameras positioned throughout the theater to ensure that cinema audiences get the “best seat in the house.”



SAINT JOAN

FEB 2, 1:00 PM & 6:30 PM

Josie Rourke directs Gemma Arterton as Joan of Arc in Shaw's electrifying masterpiece. Run time: 180 minutes. Suitable for audiences 12 and above.



TWELFTH NIGHT

by William Shakespeare

FEB 9, 1:00 PM & 6:30 PM

A new twist on Shakespeare's classic comedy directed by Simon Godwin. Run time: 210 minutes. Suitable for audiences 12 and above.



WHO'S AFRAID OF VIRGINIA WOOLF?

FEB 23, 1:00 PM & 6:30 PM

Imelda Staunton and Conleth Hill star in James Macdonald's production of this landmark play. Suitable for adult audiences. Run time: 200 minutes.

AFTER HOURS



RINGLING BY THE BAY

 **BOLGER CAMPIELLO**
\$15 for Adults, \$5 Children 6+, \$5 for Members

FEB 5 & 19, 6:00 PM

Live music and dancing. Food and beverage are available for purchase. *Due to its popularity, we encourage you to purchase tickets to Ringling by the Bay well in advance. Check ringling.org for availability.*


ART AFTER FIVE

 **MUSEUM OF ART & CIRCUS MUSEUM**
\$15 Adults / \$5 Children 6+ / Free for Members

THURSDAYS, 5:00 PM
FEB 1, 8, 15, 22

Explore the Museum of Art permanent and special exhibition galleries, and the Circus Museum. Please note: Ca' d'Zan is not open for viewing.


RINGLING UNDERGROUND

 **MUSEUM OF ART COURTYARD**
\$15 Adults / Free for Members
Free for College students with valid ID
Included with Art After 5 Admission

FEB 1, 8:00 - 11:00 PM

Enjoy live music and check out up-and-coming artists displaying their artwork in the Museum of Art Courtyard. Select galleries will be open.

YOGA NIGHTS

 **GALLERY 21, MUSEUM OF ART**
\$15 Adults, Ticket required
Includes Art After 5 admission

FEB 15, 5:30 PM

Join us for a yoga session! After the class, we hope that you will explore the galleries and visit with friends in the Art After 5 lounge. A cash bar will be available.

FAMILY PROGRAMS

FAMILY FIRST SATURDAY
FEB 3

ART MAKING ▪ 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Free program

This art-making program relates an art project to a work of art in the museum. Recommended for all ages.

ROAR FOR BIG KIDS! ▪ 10:30 AM
\$2 per Child, ticket required

We will visit a museum venue to read a story, followed by an art activity. Recommended for ages 5 to 7.

KIDS QUEST ▪ 1:00 PM
\$2 per Child, ticket required

This 45-minute tour features conversations, games, and activities. Recommended for ages 8 to 12.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES @ ART AFTER 5

Free, drop in anytime from 5:00 - 7:00 PM

FEB 1 ▪ Imagination Playground

FEB 8 ▪ Gyotaku

FEB 15 ▪ Imagination Playground

FEB 22 ▪ Chinese Zodiac Masks

ROAR! RINGLING ORDER OF ART READERS

 **JOHNSON-BLALOCK EDUCATION CENTER**
Free, ticket required

THURSDAYS & FRIDAYS, 10:30 AM
FEB 1, 2, 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23

The Ringling's family story time designed to engage toddlers and preschoolers in activities that connect art with early literacy. Includes a story and an activity.

STROLLER TOUR

 **MUSEUM OF ART**
\$2, ticket required

FEB 27, 10:00 AM

Parents or caregivers visiting the museum with an infant will enjoy this one-hour tour that allows for adult discussion in a group that does not mind if a chatty or crying baby joins the conversation. Strollers or front baby carriers only, please.

Family Programs are made possible in part by the generous support of the Lester E. Bessemer and Tilley Bessemer Endowment, the Koski Family Foundation, The Marvin and Betty Danto Endowment for The Ringling Museum Children's Programs, and The General Education Endowment for Children and Families.

PROGRAMS

GALLERY WALK & TALKS

 MUSEUM OF ART
Included with Admission / Free for Members

Want to know more about works in The Ringling's collections and exhibitions? Join Museum staff and invited experts for these "bite size" programs.

THU, FEB 1, 10:30 AM & 6:00 PM

ALFRED EISENSTAEDT: DEFINING MOMENTS

This exhibition offers a glimpse into the work of one of the world's most noted photojournalists of the twentieth century.

THU, FEB 22, 10:30 AM & 6:00 PM

WHAT'S IN A FRAME?

Learn what goes into selecting the appropriate frame while learning about a selection of frames in The Ringling's collection.

No online ticket sales for Gallery Walk & Talks. Space is limited. Tickets available on first come, first served basis, pick up tickets at Visitors Pavilion upon arrival. Members have the ability to reserve tickets for Gallery Walk & Talks. Call 941.358.3180 to reserve.



VIEWPOINT LECTURE

 HISTORIC ASOLO THEATER
\$10 / \$5 for Members

These engaging programs by noted curators and scholars enhance your understanding and appreciation of The Ringling's permanent collection and special exhibitions. Reception to follow.


SAT, FEB 3, 10:30 AM

AI WEIWEI: GLOBAL ARTIST, BORDERLESS HUMANIST, CONTEMPORARY EMPEROR

Learn about this influential artist's work—including *Circle of Animals/Zodiac Heads*, which is currently on view at The Ringling. Presented by Taliesin Thomas, the founding director of AW Asia, an arts organization that promotes the field of contemporary Chinese art, and who works closely with Ai Weiwei's studio to oversee the management of the *Circle of Animals/Zodiac Heads* sculpture installation and world tour.

ViewPoints are made possible in part through the generosity of the Lester E. Bessemer and Mary Tilley Bessemer Endowment and the Siemer Family Ringling Museum Education Endowment.

COLLECTING RECOLLECTIONS

 HISTORIC ASOLO THEATER
\$5 / Free for Members / Included with Admission

This series features fascinating people with fascinating stories to tell about their lives—The Ringling, the circus, Sarasota, and more. Get your tickets in advance for these intriguing, informal, and informative interview sessions. Reception to follow.

CLOWN COLLEGE: 50 YEARS OF SERIOUS FUN

Founded in 1968 by Irvin Feld, the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus College produced over 1500 graduates, many of whom went on to become professional merry makers. Learn about life in this remarkable and influential institution from three distinguished graduates.

TUE, FEB 6, 10:30 AM

CHUCK SIDLOW, CLASS OF 1978
Circus Arts Conservatory, Outreach Human Service Manager, professional clown

TUE, FEB 20, 10:30 AM

PEGGY WILLIAMS, CLASS OF 1970
Former Education Outreach Manager, Feld Entertainment, professional clown


TUE, MAR 6, 10:30 AM

ROBIN EURICH, CLASS OF 1975
Circus Arts Conservatory, Outreach Education Associate, professional clown

Collecting Recollections is made possible in part through the generosity of the Linnie E. Dalbeck Memorial Foundation Trust



CHARLOTTE PERRET, AT THEIR DOORSTEP



 CHAO LECTURE HALL
Free, space is limited, ticket is required

FEB 6, 3:00 PM

Please join author Charlotte Perret for a presentation on her award winning book *At Their Doorstep: The Street Fairs of Paris in Vintage Photographic Postcards, 1900s*. A book signing and reception will take place following the lecture. Presented by Alliance Française de Sarasota in partnership with The Ringling..

PROGRAMS

BAYFRONT GARDENS WORKSHOP

  CHAO LECTURE HALL & BAYFRONT GARDENS
\$20 / \$10 for Members

Designed to give homeowners the know-how to create Florida-friendly landscapes. Each program includes a talk and discussion followed by a walking tour tailored to the topic. Wear comfortable clothes and shoes.


SAT, FEB 17, 9:30 AM - NOON

TROUBLE IN PARADISE: HELPFUL HINTS FOR HURRICANE PROOFING YOUR LANDSCAPE

With Hurricane Irma still fresh on our minds, and another hurricane season around the corner, this is the time to take stock of your landscape and garden. Learn how to be proactive in preparing for and hopefully minimizing the damage caused by these summer storms.



BAYFRONT GARDENS TOURS

 BAYFRONT GARDENS
\$15 / \$10 for members

Tickets are limited and must be purchased at least 24 hrs. in advance.

FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS, 10:30 AM

FEB 1, 2, 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23


Join us for a tour of the “living collections” of the grounds and gardens. This walking tour will introduce you to some of the key botanical specimens at The Ringling while providing a historic overview of the development of the property. This is a great way to learn about the local flora.

The tour is 90 minutes in length and covers approximately one mile. Some of the tour is “off the beaten path” so we strongly suggest comfortable footwear and clothing. Visitors are welcome to bring their own water but it will be available for purchase.

Tours may be canceled due to inclement weather. Refunds or a rain check will be available.



CONVERSATION

 CHAO LECTURE HALL
\$5 / Free for Members / Included with Admission.

Less formal than a lecture, allowing staff and guests to share research projects or special interests.

TUE, FEB 27, 10:30 AM

IT'S ALL IN THE DETAILS

Constant exposure to the elements has taken a toll on two charming features of the original Museum of Art—the stone parapet sculptures and the iron loggia lanterns. Learn how art and science come together to save them with Chief Conservator Barbara Ramsay.

FEB 2, 10:30 AM

**UNVEILING THE EVIDENCE:
A BOOK CONSERVATOR'S JOURNEY TO THE BEGINNING**

Learn how books are properly restored and preserved from guest lecturer Sonja Jordan-Mowery, a book and paper conservator who has trained and conducted conservation assessments around the world.

Limited seating, reservation and ticket required. Allow extra time for the walk or tram ride to the Center for Asian Art.

LITERATI BOOK CLUB

 JOHNSON-BLALOCK EDUCATION CENTER
Free, registration is not required

Join the Literati! The Ringling’s book club will meet in the Art Library in morning and evening sessions. Discuss famous authors and art history. Books are available for purchase in the Museum Store.

THU, FEB 8, 7:00 PM

FRI, FEB 9, 10:30 AM

Advance Ticket Sales 941.358.3180
Historic Asolo Theater Box Office 941.360.7399
Membership 941.360.7330

For more information and tickets, visit
ringling.org