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NATIONAL GALLERY OFFERS SUMMER EXHIBITION PROGRAMS FOR FAMILIES

Washington, D.C. -- This summer families can enjoy programs at the National Gallery of Art planned in conjunction with exhibitions. All programs are free of charge, but space is limited. For further information or to register, call the National Gallery's Family Program voice mail at (202) 789-3030.

A tour of the exhibition Jan Steen: Painter and Storyteller will be followed by an art activity in which participants construct a three-dimensional Dutch interior space and learn about Dutch emblems. For children ages five to nine, dates are June 23 and 30 (Sunday) from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., and July 16 and 30 (Tuesday) from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. For children ages ten to twelve, dates are July 28 and August 11 (Sunday) from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

For Thomas Eakins: The Rowing Pictures, a tour of the exhibition will be followed by a rowing demonstration conducted by Michael Penn, crew coach at T.C. Williams High School in Alexandria, Va. Children will also participate in a drawing activity that emphasizes sketching the figure in motion. For children ages five to nine, dates are July 11, 18, and 25

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(Thursdays). For children ages ten to twelve, dates are July 23 and August 20 (Tuesday). All these programs are from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

In conjunction with Olmec Art of Ancient Mexico, a visit to the exhibition will be followed by either a sculpture activity, concentrating on objects in the exhibition, or an archaeology activity, working with staff from the Alexandria Archaeology Museum to classify pottery shards and study objects that have been excavated in Alexandria. For children ages six to nine, dates are July 7 and 14 (Sunday) from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., and August 1 and 15 (Thursday) from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. For children ages ten to twelve, dates are August 18 (Sunday) from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. and August 22 (Thursday) from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

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