



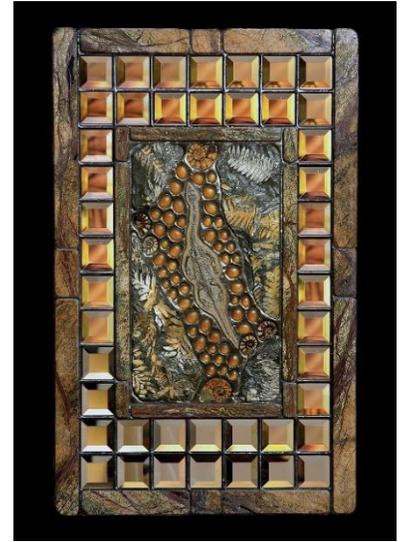
## Bruce Museum to Host 38th Annual Outdoor Arts Festival, October 5 & 6, 2019



James Carter, Southbury, CT.  
Acrylic.



Hiroshi Nakayama, Worthington, MA.  
Ceramic sculpture.



Karen Hibbs, New Haven, CT.  
Mixed media.

**GREENWICH, CT, September 19, 2019** – More than 80 new and returning artists will showcase their work on the grounds of the Bruce Museum in Greenwich on Saturday and Sunday, October 5 - 6, 2019, 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Celebrating its 38th edition this fall, the Bruce Museum Outdoor Arts Festival is treasured by local arts enthusiasts and recognized as one of the top 25 fine arts festivals nationally.

The juried works include painting on canvas, board and paper, mixed media in 2D and 3D, drawings and graphics, including digital media, sculpture, and photography.

“The Arts Festival attracts exhibitors from all over the country,” says Festival Director Sue Brown Gordon. “This year, Festival visitors will see bronze sculpture by Onyx V. Crimbil of Berkeley, CA; abstract acrylics by Phillip Michaels of Miami, FL; color woodblock prints by Linda Mahoney of Northfield, MA; and still-life oil paintings by David Oleski of West Chester, PA, among dozens of other artists.”

All works are available for purchase, and artists are on hand to discuss their pieces and process. In addition, this family-friendly event features delicious food-truck offerings for lunch and free art activities for children. Free Festival parking is in all municipal parking areas surrounding the Museum.



Bruce Peeso, Monson, MA. Acrylic.

Festival admission is free to Bruce Museum members and children less than 5 years old; entry is \$10 for non-members. Admission to the Festival—held one week before its traditional occurrence over Columbus Day weekend—is also free this year for all Bank of America cardholders, courtesy of the Bank’s *Museums on Us* program, which enables cardholders to receive one free admission to the Museum on the first full weekend of the month.

Festival-goers can tour the new exhibition, *Contemporary Artists/Traditional Forms: Chinese Brushwork*, on view in the Bantle Lecture Gallery, take in the varied exhibits of minerals, geology, and natural history in the Permanent Science Gallery, and shop in the popular Museum Store.

The Museum’s main gallery spaces are being renovated as part of the transformative Campaign for the New Bruce expansion project. The galleries will re-open on February 1, 2020, with the installation of major new art and science exhibitions.

Festival visitors will be able to join the Bruce Museum at the entrance to receive instant free admission and other benefits available to Museum members, including discounts at the Museum Store, reciprocal admission at many other art and science museums in the area, and invitations to *Bruce Experiences* members-only events held monthly throughout the year. What’s more, many exhibitors offer discounts to Museum members interested in purchasing artwork at the Festival. Visit [brucemuseum.org](http://brucemuseum.org) for more information, including a complete listing of this year’s exhibitors, with links to their respective websites.

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### **About the Bruce Museum**

The Bruce Museum is a community-based, world-class institution highlighting art and science in more than a dozen changing exhibitions annually. The permanent galleries feature the natural sciences that encompass regional to global perspectives. Accredited by the American Alliance of Museums and voted the best museum in Fairfield County by area media in recent years, the Bruce plays an integral role in the cultural life of area residents and attracts approximately 70,000 visitors annually, including 25,000 schoolchildren, reaching out to families, seniors, students, and community organizations. Located in a park setting just off I-95, exit 3, at 1 Museum Drive in Greenwich, Connecticut, the Museum is also a 5-minute walk from the Metro-North Greenwich Station. The Bruce Museum is open Tuesday through Sunday from 10 am to 5 pm; closed Mondays and major holidays. For additional information, call the Bruce Museum at 203-869-0376 or visit [brucemuseum.org](http://brucemuseum.org).

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