

Bruce Museum to Reopen to the Public on Saturday, June 27, 2020

GREENWICH, CT, June 18, 2020 — The Bruce Museum looks forward to reopening the Museum to members and the public starting Saturday, June 27, 2020, upon receiving the necessary certification from state agencies.

Says Robert Wolterstorff, The Susan E. Lynch Executive Director: “Heartfelt thanks to you—our visiting public, and especially our passionate Museum members—for your steadfast support of the Bruce during the past three months while we were closed due to the pandemic.”

“I’m pleased that so many of you discovered, used, and enjoyed the new online programs, exhibitions, and events that we developed to serve you. We plan on continuing our increased digital presence in the future—but as a Museum, we are really about providing you with the chance to experience real objects in real space. We have some great Art and Science exhibitions right now. That’s why we can’t wait to welcome you back to the Museum. We have made many changes to procedures and protocols to make you safe during your visit. We look forward to seeing you here again soon.”

Admission to the Bruce Museum beginning June 27 will be by advance reservation, with timed ticketing to ensure the comfort and safety of visitors and staff. **Admission will be free to all visitors upon the Museum’s reopening to the public.**

The following hours of operation and admission policy will be in effect starting June 27 until further notice:

9:30 – 10:30 am, Tuesday through Sunday: The Museum is open only to self-selected individuals over the age of 65 or who are immunocompromised.

10:30 – 11:30 am, Tuesday through Sunday: The Bruce is pleased to welcome Museum members only for one hour of special access.

All remaining Museum hours are unchanged. To reserve a timed ticket to visit the Bruce Museum, visit brucemuseum.org or call 203-869-0376. (Please note that the Museum will be closed on Saturday, July 4, in observance of the Fourth of July Holiday.)

Maximum safe occupancy for each exhibition space or area has been calculated to allow for social distancing between groups (including staff) and to comply with state social gathering size guidance.

Visitors are required to wear a mask or cloth face covering that completely covers the nose and mouth, as directed by state law and CDC guidelines. The exhibition galleries of the Museum will employ one-way flow and limited capacities. Signage in the parking lot, outside the entrance, and inside the Museum will indicate social distance markers and visitor flow. Touchable interactives will be disabled throughout the galleries. Hand sanitizer shall be made available at entrance points and common areas. The Museum Store will be open, with controlled access and minimal touch transactions.

On view in the Bantle Lecture Gallery is the ***iCreate 2020*** exhibition of emerging artists. This highly regarded annual juried competition, in its 11th consecutive year, will feature approximately 55 works of fine art selected from more than 850 submissions from high school students throughout Connecticut, New Jersey, and New York. *iCreate 2020* will be on view through August 2.

The Bruce Museum is pleased to announce that the major international exhibition, ***On the Edge of the World: Masterworks by Laurits Andersen Ring from SMK—the National Gallery of Denmark***, has been extended and will be on view in the main gallery through August 9. *On the Edge of the World* showcases 25 of the most important pieces that represent the key themes and sheer variety and complexity of the work of L.A. Ring, considered one of the most important figures in Danish art. The Bruce Museum is the only East Coast venue to host the exhibition in the U.S.

The ***Under the Skin*** science exhibition is on view in the Museum's newly expanded gallery space. *Under the Skin* samples images made possible by a remarkable array of technologies—CT scanning, infrared cameras, electron microscopy, and more—that allow scientists to visualize the marvels of evolution that lie below the surface. Natural history specimens from the Bruce Museum and on loan from other collections complement each image.

If you have any questions about the safety guidelines, please review this set of [FAQs](#) or call 203-869-0376. For further information about the Bruce Museum, or to make a reservation, visit www.brucemuseum.org.

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About the Bruce Museum

The Bruce Museum is a community-based, world-class institution highlighting art and science. Changing galleries for art and permanent galleries for the natural sciences 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. The Museum attracts approximately 70,000 visitors annually, including 24,000 schoolchildren, and also has special programs for 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. For additional information, call the Bruce Museum at 203-869-0376 or visit brucemuseum.org.

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