THE DAYTON ART INSTITUTE’S EUROPEAN GALLERIES TO REOPEN JAN. 4

(DAYTON, OHIO) – December 6, 2016 – The Dayton Art Institute has announced that the Berry Wing of European Art will remain closed until Wednesday, January 4, due to changes in construction schedules for renovation work.

The remainder of the museum, along with the special exhibition Ravaged Sublime: Landscape Photography in the 21st Century, will be open regular hours throughout the holiday season.

The replacement of many original exterior windows, with high-efficiency units that maintain the historic building’s original appearance, necessitated the gallery closures. Window replacement is part of a series of renovation projects taking place at the museum in 2016. The projects are funded by $2.2 million in state capital appropriations money received from the State of Ohio in 2014.

Other renovation projects include replacement of the floor in the Shaw Gothic Cloister; the renovation of the four original museum restrooms; updating or replacing numerous exterior and interior doors; improvements to the building’s HVAC and technology infrastructure; and the creation of an ADA-accessible pedestrian walkway from Riverview Avenue to the museum’s rotunda entrance.

The Dayton Art Institute’s distinctive museum building, which opened in 1930, is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Please note that gallery closure schedules are subject to change, depending on construction schedules. Renovation of the original Lower Court restrooms also affects the Asian galleries; a number of Chinese works have been deinstalled during the renovations. Ongoing renovation work may affect other galleries throughout the museum, as well. For the latest information and updates about gallery closures, or to inquire whether specific works of art are on view, visit www.daytonartinstitute.org or call the museum at 937-223-4ART (4278).

Be sure to also connect with The Dayton Art Institute on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and Pinterest for additional information, behind-the-scenes photos and updates.
ABOUT THE DAYTON ART INSTITUTE

As one of the Miami Valley’s premier fine art museums, The Dayton Art Institute offers a full range of programming in addition to exhibiting its collection. Gallery hours are Wednesday – Saturday, 11 a.m. – 5 p.m., and Sunday, noon – 5 p.m., with extended hours until 8 p.m. on Thursdays. Suggested admission to the museum’s permanent collection is $8 adults, $5 seniors, active military and groups. Admission is free for museum members, students (18+ w/ID) and youth (17 and under). Some special exhibitions, programs and events may carry an additional charge and include admission to the museum’s permanent collection as part of that price. Free parking is available at the museum and the facility is fully accessible to physically challenged visitors. The DAI’s Museum Store is open during regular museum hours. Leo Bistro serves lunch Wednesday – Friday, 11 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., Saturday, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m., and Sunday, noon – 3 p.m. Leo Bistro also serves dinner on Thursday evenings, 4:30 – 7 p.m. For more information, please call 937-223-4ART (4278) or visit www.daytonartinstitute.org. The Ohio Arts Council helped fund this organization with state tax dollars to encourage economic growth, educational excellence and cultural enrichment for all Ohioans. The DAI also receives support from the Montgomery County Arts and Cultural District.

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