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EXPLORE ASIAN ART AT FAMILY DAY AT WORCESTER ART MUSEUM

(WORCESTER, Mass., October 1, 2009) – Experience Asian art and culture with your kids at Worcester Art Museum’s special Family Day dubbed “East Meets West” on Sunday, November 8. Family Day is chock-full of free and fun activities, inspired by Worcester Art Museum’s extensive Asian art collection that includes paintings, ceramics, textiles, Hindu and Buddhist sculptures and decorative objects from Japan, China, Korea, Thailand, India and Vietnam.

Worcester Art Museum has planned a myriad of hands-on activities that will help parents and children learn about Asian culture and understand how artists have been influenced by its beauty, history and traditions. From 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Family Day offers plenty to enjoy including:

- Exploring the galleries with a printed gallery guide to discover animals found in the Chinese Zodiac
- Creating your own Asian-inspired home décor, including paper lanterns and wall scrolls in the studios
- Playing ancient Asian games, such as Chinese checkers and tangram puzzles
- Meeting an Asian long-horned beetle and learning about Worcester’s recent beetle battle
- Listening to traditional and new Asian tales from a professional storyteller
- Enjoying complimentary refreshments in The Museum Café

Family Day activities are free with the price of admission. Adults \$10, children under 17 are free.

Located on Salisbury St., in Worcester, Massachusetts, the Worcester Art Museum opened in 1898 and is one of America's most respected art museums. The museum is world-renowned for its 35,000-piece collection of paintings, sculpture, decorative arts, photography, prints, drawings and new media. For more information, visit [.worcesterart.org](http://www.worcesterart.org).

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