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## **SEASONALLY THEMED FAMILY ARTTIMES AT WORCESTER ART MUSEUM**

**(WORCESTER, Mass., September 23, 2009)** –Worcester Art Museum launches holiday inspired weekend ArtTimes for parents and children between six and ten years old on Sunday, October 18. ArtTimes are held one Sunday afternoon each month from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. and are designed for kids and parents to spend quality time together in a fun, creative environment.

ArtTimes use the occasion of holidays or seasonal changes to teach parents how to make home opportunities for creativity and ways to use the Museum for fun, family time. In October, just in time for Halloween, ArtTime will introduce family groups to mask-making, using readily available recycled materials to make wearable, personalized, one-of-a-kind masks. Engaging visits to look at the Museum’s collection will inspire participants’ designs.

“These workshops are the perfect opportunity for busy families to connect with each other and to have fun while creating something together in the spirit of a holiday or season,” said Christopher Whitehead, Manager of Youth and Family Programs at the Worcester Art Museum. “Parents and children will discover that art making opportunities are everywhere – from home to their backyards.”

Future ArtTime workshops will be held on December 13, February 14, March 7, April 11, May 9 and June 13. The cost ranges from \$40 - \$70 per family for each workshop (depending on number of youth and/or adults), and preregistration is highly recommended, though it is not required. For more information and online registration, visit the Museum’s web site, [www.worcesterart.org](http://www.worcesterart.org) or call (508) 793-4334.

*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 [www.worcesterart.org](http://www.worcesterart.org).*

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