



ALBANY MUSEUM OF ART

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### LEGO FAMILY FUN DAY SET FOR SATURDAY AT ALBANY MUSEUM OF ART

The First 100 Kids Through the Doors Will Receive Free Lego Eyewear

**[For Release March 14, 2019 – Albany, GA]**— Most of us have played with Lego bricks at some point in our lives, either as children or with children. But have you ever had a pair of glasses made from the multicolor, interconnecting plastic pieces?

On Saturday, 100 kids from the Albany area will be doing just that—styling in Lego eyewear.

That's because the first 100 children through the doors for Lego Family Fun Day, **10 am-noon Saturday, March 17, 2019** at the Albany Museum of Art, will be given a free pair of Lego eyewear. The frames come in three colors—red, yellow and teal.

They're part of the spring Family Day at the museum that is conducted in partnership with the Albany Recreation and Parks Department.

Those who attend also will be able to meet Mike Landers, an Athens artist who creates abstract pieces with Lego bricks. Landers' exhibition, *Stack: Lego Works*, is showing in the AMA East Gallery through April 13. The exhibition, which originally was scheduled to close March 30, is being held over additional two weeks.

In addition to the Lego-centric fun, family members of all ages will be able to create art, participate in games and activities, and view the museum exhibitions.

"It's a fun-packed day for adults and children alike," AMA Executive Director Paula Williams said. "Who doesn't love Legos? Mike Landers' work also shows how objects you might view in one way can be transformed into a whole new thing. In this case, a child's toy becomes art. It enables you to expand your perspective."

Chloe Hinton, director of Education and Public Programming for the AMA, said she believes the Lego glass frames will be extremely popular with the kids—as well as their parents.

“The way the frames are designed with Lego pieces, you can attach other Lego pieces to them,” Hinton noted. “The only limit to what you can do with them by adding Legos is your imagination.”

Kristin Caso, marketing and special events coordinator for the Albany Recreation & Parks Department, said she expects the Family Day event—one of two each year that her department and the AMA team up for—is a chance for families to spend a fun Saturday morning together.

“It’s a fun event for families to just get together and have a great time, and it’s always free of charge,” Caso said.

Those attending are invited to bring their own Lego pieces or kits to assemble or show off to others.

This event is free and open to the public.

### **CURRENT AMA EXHIBITIONS**

- *Memory and Meaning*, work of Masud Olufani, is showing in the Haley Gallery through June 15, 2019;
- *Stack: Lego Works* by Mike Landers is showing in the East Gallery through April 13, 2019;
- *Ghost Yonder Moonscape*, works by Zipporah Thompson, is showing in the West Gallery through June 15, 2019.

### **ABOUT THE ALBANY MUSEUM OF ART**

The Albany Museum of Art, located in Albany, Georgia, adjacent to Albany State University West Campus just off Gillionville Road is accredited by the American Alliance of Museums. The Albany Museum of Art is open 10 am through 5 pm Tuesdays through Fridays and noon until 5 pm on Saturdays. Admission is free.

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