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**DELAWARE ART MUSEUM PRESENTS  
BOTERO FAMILY DAY**

Wilmington, DE (April 30, 2008)—The Delaware Art Museum presents the Botero Family Day on Sunday, May 4, 2008, from noon – 3:30 p.m. Families are invited to enjoy tours, art activities, and special performances by Toxique Trottoir, a Canadian theatrical group inspired by the world of Fernando Botero. Visitors can also view the exhibition *The Baroque World of Fernando Botero* and sample studio classes in the Bank of America Education Wing. Museum admission is waived on Sundays, and there is no fee for this event.

There will be an English-language tour of *The Baroque World of Fernando Botero* at 12:30 p.m. and a Spanish-language tour of the exhibition at 1:00 p.m. The Studio Sampler runs from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., and the documentary *Fernando Botero: The Rebel* will be screened at 2:00 p.m.

The Teen Initiative is having a reception at 1:00 p.m. for their spring show, *Inspirado*, which features teen art inspired by the Museum's collection. The Teen Initiative is a forum created by teenagers from Wilmington schools with a mission to develop and foster teen-focused programs that promote the arts and the Delaware Art Museum to their generation.

**Schedule of Activities and Events**

Noon – 3:30 p.m.	Art activities (including Botero Buttons, Botero Inflatable Faces, and Voluminous Still-Life Collages)
12:30 p.m.	English-language Botero tour
1:00 p.m.	Spanish-language Botero tour
1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.	Toxique Trottoir
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Teen Initiative reception
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Studio Sampler

## **Schedule of Activities and Events (continued)**

2:00 p.m. Screening of *Fernando Botero: The Rebel*  
2:30 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. Toxique Trottoir

Fernando Botero (b. 1932), well known for his extravagantly rounded figures, is one of the most internationally popular artists working today. *The Baroque World of Fernando Botero* is a major retrospective exhibition featuring 100 paintings, sculptures, and drawings. Many of these works have never before been exhibited in public.

*The Baroque World of Fernando Botero* is organized and circulated by Art Services International, Alexandria, Virginia.

*The Baroque World of Fernando Botero* is presented in Delaware by DuPont. The Delaware Art Museum received a MetLife Foundation *Museum and Community Connections* grant to support programming for this exhibition. In Delaware, this exhibition is made possible, in part, by grants from the Delaware Division of the Arts, a state agency dedicated to nurturing and supporting the arts in Delaware, in partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts.

### **About the Museum**

The Delaware Art Museum, located at 2301 Kentmere Parkway, Wilmington, DE 19806, is open Tuesday through Saturday 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. and Sunday noon – 4:00 p.m. Admission fees are charged as follows: adults (18 – 59) \$10, seniors (60+) \$8, college students \$5, and youth (7 – 17) \$3, with children 6 and under entering for free. Admission fees are waived every Sunday thanks to support from AstraZeneca. For more information, call 302-571-9590 or 866-232-3714 (toll free), or visit the website at [www.delart.org](http://www.delart.org).

Founded in 1912, the Delaware Art Museum holds a world-renowned collection that focuses on American art and illustration from the 19th century to the present as well as the British Pre-Raphaelite movement. The Museum offers the outdoor Copeland Sculpture Garden, the Helen Farr Sloan Library & Archives, studio art classes, the interactive Kids' Corner learning area, the delART Café featuring free Wi-Fi access, and the Museum Store with distinctive books and gifts.

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