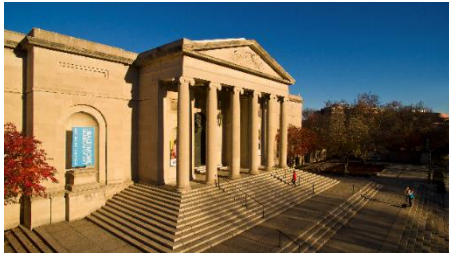


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**BMA ANNOUNCES NEW WEEKEND HOURS BEGINNING
FEBRUARY 2017**

BALTIMORE, MD (December 29, 2016)—The Baltimore Museum of Art (BMA) announces that the museum hours will shift to 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekends beginning February 1, 2017. The current hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. When the new hours take effect, the museum will be open consistently from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. General museum admission is still free, but some special events may have an admission charge.

THE BALTIMORE MUSEUM OF ART

The Baltimore Museum of Art is home to an internationally renowned collection of 19th-century, modern, and contemporary art. Founded in 1914 with a single painting, the BMA today has 95,000 objects—including the largest public holding of works by Henri Matisse. Throughout the museum, visitors will find an outstanding selection of American and European painting, sculpture, and decorative arts; works by established and emerging contemporary artists; significant artworks from China; stunning Antioch mosaics; and an exceptional collection of art from Africa. The BMA's galleries also showcase examples from one of the nation's finest collections of prints, drawings, and photographs and exquisite textiles from around the world. The 210,000-square-foot museum is distinguished by a grand historic building designed in the 1920s by renowned American architect John Russell Pope and two beautifully landscaped sculpture gardens. As a major cultural destination for the region, the BMA hosts a dynamic program of exhibitions, events, and educational programs throughout the year. General admission to the BMA is free so that everyone can enjoy the power of art.

VISITOR INFORMATION

The Baltimore Museum of Art is open Wednesday through Friday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 11 a.m. – 6 p.m. ****BEGINNING FEBRUARY 1, 2017, the BMA's weekend hours will change to 10 a.m.–5 p.m.** The museum is closed Mondays, Tuesdays, New Year's Day, July 4, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. The BMA is located at 10 Art Museum Drive at North Charles and 31st Streets, three miles north of Baltimore's Inner Harbor. For general Museum information, call 443-573-1700 or visit artbma.org.

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