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SAMA-LIGONIER VALLEY TO HOST SUMMER ART CAMP

Ligonier – The Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art at Ligonier Valley will offer a children’s art camp this summer. SAMA’s art camps are taught in small, informal groups to foster each child’s creativity, personal growth and interest in the arts.

From June 20 through 24, the Museum will offer “Drawing, Painting, Printmaking, Oh My!” Led by artist and former SAMA-Ligonier Valley Coordinator Sommer Toffle, the camp will combine art history with medium exploration as children learn skills in drawing, painting, printmaking, and assemblage. Students will have lessons on plein air painting in the Museum’s gardens; create life-sized self-portraits; build metal assemblage sculptures; and will be introduced to Gyotaku, a Japanese form of printing fish. Students also will be introduced to a wide range of artists, including Chuck Close, Angelo Franco, Frida Kahlo, Wassily Kandinsky, Ronald Nigro and Jackson Pollock. The final day of camp will include an art show and reception for friends and family in the main gallery. The camp is designed for ages 6 to 12 and will be held mornings from 9 a.m. to noon. Cost is \$125 per child, which includes materials and snacks.

Registration is required by June 10 and includes a \$25 non-refundable deposit. For registration or additional information, please call the Museum at (724) 238-6015.

The Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art at Ligonier Valley is located at One Boucher Lane and Route 711 South in Ligonier. Hours of operation are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 1 to 5 p.m. weekends. The Museum is a handicapped-accessible facility and is open to the public free of charge. For more information, call the Museum or visit www.sama-art.org.