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## **LIGONIER MUSEUM TO HOST LUNCH PROGRAM WITH MASTER WOODTURNER**

Ligonier – The Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art at Ligonier Valley will host a Lunch a l'Art program with woodturner Edric Florence on Thursday, July 17. The program, which begins at noon, includes lunch and a presentation by the artist. Cost is \$15 or \$12 for SAMA members. Reservations are required by July 11 and can be made by calling the Museum at (724) 238-6015.

A self-taught woodturner since 1980, Florence uses his innate aesthetic sensitivity to wood and his well-honed professional craftsmanship and experience with innovative techniques to produce unique artistic and functional woodturnings that are sought after by art galleries, discriminating collectors and individuals who simply appreciate the elegance, imagination, beauty and attention to detail in his pieces. At the lunch program, Florence, of Bethel Park, will give a talk and slide show presentation on his creative process. He will also bring a number of his works for attendees to view. For more information on the artist, please visit [www.edricflorence.com](http://www.edricflorence.com).

Prior to the lunch program will be a meeting of the SAMA Auxiliary at 11 a.m. The Auxiliary is always welcoming new members. If you are interested in joining the Auxiliary, please come to the meeting or call the Museum for further information.

Lunch a l'Art programs are offered to encourage a greater understanding of various art forms and movements, as well as foster a deeper appreciation for the exhibitions presented by the Museum.

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](http://www.sama-art.org).