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PORTRAIT ARTIST TO SPEAK AT SAMA

Ligonier – The Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art at Ligonier Valley will host a Lunch a l' Art program with portrait artist Marcene Glover on Thursday, March 10. The program, which begins at noon, includes lunch and a presentation by the artist. Cost is \$15 or \$12 for SAMA members. Reservations are requested by March 4 by calling the Museum at (724) 238-6015.

Glover, of Johnstown, is a rostered artist with SAMA and the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts who is active in SAMA's Museum/Healthcare Partnership Program. Her arts background includes significant work as a portrait and courtroom artist. Glover's representational portraits have been commissioned by members of Congress and are included in the collections of museums, universities and federal courtrooms.

At the Lunch a l' Art, Glover will discuss her experiences in the arts, and how those experiences shape her current work. She will discuss her "healing arts" residencies, children's books she has illustrated, and will have examples of her work available for viewing. The program also will include a hands-on activity, as Glover leads participants in a couple of quick art activities to develop creativity and self-expression.

Prior to the lunch program will be a meeting of the SAMA Auxiliary at 11 a.m. If you are interested in joining the Auxiliary, please attend 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.