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SAMA TO INTRODUCE MONTHLY EVENING ART PROGRAM THIS WINTER

Ligonier – The Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art at Ligonier Valley will introduce a monthly art program beginning this winter. On January 27, the Museum will host *Studio PM*, a laid-back, guided painting class designed for those with little to no art experience. *Studio PM* programs have been held throughout the region and have attracted a strong following due to the fun social atmosphere. It's a perfect event to attend with friends, or to make new friends. SAMA will be offering the program on a monthly basis.

The first program begins at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, January 27 and will be led by Natalie Cheek, a certified art educator and co-founder of *Studio PM*. Cost is \$35 per person or \$25 for SAMA members. Class size is limited to 20. Coffee and light refreshments will be provided, while guests are invited to BYOB. Participants must be 18 or older, unless accompanied by a guardian. Reservations are required by January 23 by calling (724) 238-6015.

“Guided events like the ones we will be hosting provide the perfect opportunity for those who are looking for something to do that is different and fun,” said SAMA-Ligonier Valley Coordinator Emma Noonan. “It’s a great way to learn something new, and the best part is you get to take something you created home with you.”

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.