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SAMA-ALTOONA TO HOLD *WICKED WEDNESDAY*

Altoona – The Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art at Altoona will hold its third *Wicked Wednesday* program of the year at 6 p.m. on August 19. The program offers the region's best musical, culinary and fine arts in one setting. Each *Wicked Wednesday* program includes light supper and libations while guests listen to some of the area's finest musical talent. Additionally, each program highlights the Museum's latest exhibitions.

The August 19 program will include a performance by The Amigos, known for their Americana blend of bluegrass and folk. The event also will include a special exhibition of original artwork by Joe Servello created to promote productions by the Altoona theatre company, P&J Productions. Also on special display will be several framed posters chronicling P&J's shows throughout the years. The company is celebrating their 10th anniversary in 2015.

Guests at *Wicked Wednesday* also will have an opportunity to view the Museum's latest exhibitions. *Paper and Fire: Prints by Leonard Baskin* offers nearly 60 works, many of them making their SAMA debut, by the renowned printmaker. *Big, Bold and Beautiful: The Permanent Collection* features 25 works by artists such as Abe Ajay, Brian Connelly, Josefa Filkosky and Peter Max.

Cost for *Wicked Wednesday* is \$25 per person. Please call the Museum at (814) 946-4464 for reservations.

The Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art at Altoona is located in the Brett Building at 1210 Eleventh Avenue. The Museum is a handicapped-accessible facility and is open to the public free of charge. Hours of operation are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday. Parking is available in the garage across the street or in metered spots in the lot at the rear of the building. For more information, call the Museum or visit www.sama-art.org.