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LOCAL ARTIST TO SPEAK AT SAMA-ALTOONA LUNCH PROGRAM

Altoona – The Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art at Altoona will host a Lunch a l'Art program with exhibiting artist Julie Wohl on Thursday, April 14. The program, which begins at noon, includes lunch and a presentation by the artist. Cost is \$15 per person or \$14 for SAMA members. Please call the Museum for reservations.

Currently on view at the Museum is *Julie Wohl: Tradition and Inspiration*. Combining a variety of materials including acrylic paint, cut papers, oil pastels, india ink and watercolor paint, Wohl creates a series of works that is at once joyful and meaningful, rich and whimsical. Inspired by Jewish tradition, textual sources and ritual, Wohl's vibrant and colorful work speaks to the yearning for connection to community, home and faith, as well as the desire for originality, inspiration and creativity. The exhibition will remain on view through May 7.

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 Altoona is located in the Brett Building at 1210 Eleventh Avenue. Hours of operation are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday. The Museum is a handicapped-accessible facility and is open to the public free of charge. 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.