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**Fort Wayne Museum of Art receives Wells Fargo grant**

*\$75,000 grant will support programs for underserved audiences*

FORT WAYNE, IND., June 25, 2019 –The Fort Wayne Museum of Art is pleased to announce the receipt of a \$75,000 grant from Wells Fargo & Company. The funds support socially responsible programs that target the community’s underserved audiences.

The funding will give students an opportunity to tour the museum, attend orientation classes, participate in the Scholastic Art and Writing Awards exhibition through the Pre-K to 12 education programs, or join the Hope Gap Project, a program for creative inner-city high school students. Each year, 8,000 Indiana students participate in the School Tour program, which offers docent educator-led museum tours that correlate with state curricular standards.

The grant also will help fund the year-round Meet Me at Fort Wayne Museum of Art program, the year-round bilingual tours, and the fall events for Day of the Dead (Dia de los Muertos) activities. In partnership with the Alzheimer's Association Greater Indiana Chapter, the Meet Me at Fort Wayne Museum of Art program enables adult patrons with early-stage Alzheimer’s disease and other forms of early-stage dementia to experience the visual arts in a format that meets their needs. “The Fort Wayne Museum of Art adds so much value to our community,” said Timothy Poppens, complex manager for Wells Fargo Advisors. “These programs continue to enrich the quality of life for so many while offering ongoing arts education for youth, seniors and everyone in between. We are extremely proud to support this important humanities icon in our city.”

“We are honored, again, to be awarded this significant support by our longtime corporate partner, Wells Fargo Bank. Together, we will provide valuable and much needed programming to thousands of underserved children, adults, and seniors in the region,” said Charles Shepard, president & CEO of the Fort Wayne Museum of Art.

**About the Fort Wayne Museum of Art**

Founded in 1888, the Fort Wayne Museum of Art is Northeast Indiana’s leading visual arts institution. The museum regularly exhibits nationally acclaimed artists and features a permanent collection including works by Mark di Suvero, Andy Warhol, and Kara Walker. FWMoA is committed to the collection, preservation, and presentation of American and related art, in an effort to engage, educate, and add value to the lives of broad and diverse audiences throughout the community and region. The museum is a funded partner of Arts United of Greater Fort Wayne and receives support from the Indiana Arts Commission and the National Endowment for the Arts. [www.fwmoa.org](http://www.fwmoa.org)

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