Director’s Corner
Marilyn L. Wheaton

The Museum’s website was recently redesigned to make it user friendly. Visit our website at www.svsu.edu/mfsm and let us know what you think by logging onto the Museum’s blog at www.marshallfredericks.com.

The Museum’s third annual fall benefit, Saints, Sinners and Savoirs, was a great success with nearly 300 people in attendance and gross revenues of nearly $62,000. A fine time was had by all.

Thanks to all of you who supported the event as sponsors or who bought tickets and had a good time. A special thanks to The Dow Chemical Company for their $20,000 sponsorship contribution and to Paula Liveris for being honorary chair. The art auction alone raised just over $12,000, thanks to nearly 50 local and regional artists who donated a work of art. All of your support raised $47,432 for the Museum’s educational and exhibition programs.

In the meantime, the Board of Advisors and the staff of the Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum thank you for your tremendous support during the past year and wish you and yours a very happy and prosperous holiday season.

P.S. While you’re on our website, click on “Gift Shop,” check out the unique gift items, and begin your online holiday shopping today. There’s great jewelry, beautiful pottery and tiles, holiday tree ornaments, unique wood vessels, 2008 Marshall Fredericks calendars, museum t-shirts, sweatshirts and more.

A great selection of Pewabic Pottery tiles, ornaments, vessels, and more.

Hand blown glass Ba-boon Playing a Mandolin, a great holiday ornament as well as a Marshall Fredericks keepsake.

Unique hand made wine bottle stoppers. A great gift for the wine lover.

Handcrafted wood vessels by local artisans.

Pewabic Mouse from the Lion and Mouse. Hurry, supplies are limited!

MFSM logo T-Shirts and hoodies in 3 great color combinations.

Summer Arts Camp for youth receives funding

The Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum received a Saginaw Valley State University Foundation Resource Grant of $2,821 for three one-week Summer Arts Camp sessions in June 2008. The sessions, to be taught by SVSU art education majors, will be held Monday through Friday, June 9-13, 16-20 and 23-27 from 9 a.m.-12 noon daily.

During the one-week camp sessions, ten to twelve youth ages (8-12) will do sculpting, drawing, and painting projects. The arts camp also offers University students the opportunity to gain experience with preparation and design of an art class, teaching the arts at the Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum, and working with children.
Marshall Fredericks’ posthumous bronzes for sale

Bronze castings of seven of Marshall Fredericks’ most popular sculptures can be purchased through the Museum. The bronze sculptures were cast in limited editions of 15 each after Fredericks’ death in 1998. A few of the sculptures are still available.

Visit www.svsu.edu/msfm and click on “Fredericks’ Sculptures Available” to view the bronzes and information about sizes and prices. All proceeds from the sale of the posthumous bronzes go to the Museum Exhibition Endowment. One third of the purchase price is tax deductible.

Call Museum Director Marilyn Wheaton at (989) 964-7154 if you would like to know more about the bronzes.

Bay City resident hosts thank you party for artists who donated works of art

More than 50 works of art were donated by local and regional artists to the Saints, Sinners and Sauvignon auction, which raised $12,000 for the Museum’s educational and exhibition programs. Our way of saying “thank you” was to ask a friend of the Museum, Bob Sarow, to host a thank you party at his Bay City home. Museum Board members Judy Lore and Donna Van Steenhouse and their husbands, John and Chris, provided delicious food and libations. A fine time was had by all.

Standing left to right: Erna Klajo, Gayle Koehler, Luther Hale, Marilyn Wheaton, Bob Sarow (host). Sitting left to right: Andrea Ondish, Casey Cosier, Megan Gotham, Nancy Whalen, Sara Clark
Photo by: Judy Lore

The Oct. 12 Saints, Sinners and Sauvignon benefit was a great success

Opus Mimo’s Michael Lee greeted guests as they arrived at the Arbury Fine Arts Center, while Lauralean Cheatham sang French arias, David Young sketched faces, and Jeff Hall’s jazz quartet entertained guests in the Museum.

The photos taken by museum staffer Geoffe Haney, below, best tell the story of Saints, Sinners and Sauvignon.

Next year’s Italian themed event, Saints, Sinners and Sopranos, will be held on Friday, Oct. 3, 2008 at the Museum.

Top left: Left to right are David Hostetler, Susan Crehan-Hostetler, Eric Gilbertson and Cindy Gilbertson enjoying the gala.
Top right: Guests listening to the Jeff Hall jazz quartet in the Museum.
Bottom left: David Littell holds a work of art while auctioneer Mike Furlo gets the audience bidding higher.
Bottom right: Curator of Education Andrea Ondish is nearly swept off her feet by mime Michael Lee.

Mural Outreach Program funded by Saginaw Community Foundation

The Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum received a Saginaw Community Foundation grant of $2,000 to fund a mural project at the Trinity St. John Community Center in Saginaw. The project will engage 15-20 inner city Saginaw youth (ages 10-17) to create a 54 3/4” by 7” mural on the gymnasium wall inside the Trinity St. John Community Center. The theme of the mural will address youth violence and other social issues facing the community.

Similar to the Museum’s mural project at the same location in 2002, youth from the center will experience a drawing class in the Museum. They will design and paint the mural under the instruction of SVSU students enrolled in Art 433: Community Mural Painting: Process and Technology, a class taught by Associate Professor of Art Mike Mosher. The class explores applications of traditional and computer-based drawing, painting and design skills in group projects to create public artworks. The project will benefit youth from the center and SVSU students who will get first-hand experience in community mural painting and working with youth.
Archivist joins Museum staff

Melissa Gerst joined the staff in October as archivist. Melissa received an M.A. in Public History from Loyola University Chicago, and a B.A. in History and Anthropology from Albion College, Albion, MI.

During her employment as Assistant Archivist at Sigma Chi National Headquarters' Museum and Archives in Evanston, IL, she appraised, processed, arranged and described the fraternity's collections. Melissa resides in Lake Orion. She's a great addition to the Museum team.

David Hostetler, Wood and Bronze Sculpture exhibition opens at the Museum

David Hostetler, of Athens, OH and Marshall Fredericks have some things in common; their primary art genre is sculpture and their works are often monumental. The David Hostetler, Wood and Bronze Sculpture exhibition opened Oct. 12 to a large and appreciative audience.

Check out the exhibition by visiting www.svsu.edu/mfsm and clicking on “temporary exhibitions” to hear a 15-minute interview with David Hostetler and see the works of art in the exhibition which runs through January 26, 2008.

ARTstor Library at the Museum

The Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum is one of 850 worldwide participating institutions in ARTstor, an online art library with more than 600,000 artwork images. SVSU Art History Professor William Barnes urged the Museum to install the ARTstor program two years ago as a service to faculty who use digital images in teaching. The Museum now has an ARTstor reading room for researchers and faculty.

Plaster molds and models move from pole barn to Museum

More than 300 objects from Marshall Fredericks' studio in Royal Oak, MI have been residing in a pole barn near the SVSU campus for the last several years. When Fredericks died in 1998, there was very little storage space at the University and the Museum for the several hundred objects, so some were stored off-site. Last week those objects made their way to a newly created storage area in Arborly Fine Arts Center adjacent to the Museum.

So many things could have gone wrong in the move, but none did. Flawlessly, SVSU facilities workmen, Marshall Fredericks' former assistant Scott Slocum, and Museum staff made dozens of trips across the two-mile trek and carefully placed every piece on polyethylene foam lined shelves after they were vacuumed.
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Fabulous holiday gifts in Museum gift shop

Beautiful art calendars are available in the museum gift shop. Many of the exquisite photos of Marshall Fredericks’ work are by internationally known photographer, Balthazar Korab. The calendars are available for $15.95, plus tax and shipping. (Cut form on dotted line and mail to address below)

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Don’t forget to visit our new blog www.marshallfredericks.com to keep up on current events, discoveries, and happenings at the Museum. Your comments are welcome!

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