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BMAC Chief Curator Mara Williams to Give Tour of "Vermont Collects" and Other Exhibits

Brattleboro, Vt. — The Brattleboro Museum & Art Center's chief curator, Mara Williams, will lead visitors on a tour of the museum's two major exhibits, "Vermont Collects: Modern & Contemporary Masters" and "Exploring Inner and Outer Space: The Art of Anne Eaton Parker," as well as the other exhibits currently on display. The guided tour will take place Sunday, October 25 at 2 p.m. Admission is \$6 for adults, \$4 for students, \$3 for seniors, free for BMAC members and children 5 and under.

Now in her twentieth year as administrator and curator at BMAC, Mara Williams has earned a reputation for explicating contemporary art in a way that engages novices and experienced viewers alike. Her tours feature a mix of art history and theory, insightful anecdotes, and unabashed personal opinion, all in the service of a robust give-and-take with the audience. With the museum's current exhibits closing in less than three weeks, this tour provides an excellent opportunity for visitors to get an in-depth look at the artwork before it is taken down and, in the case of "Vermont Collects," returned to the private collectors from which it was borrowed.

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Major support for the Brattleboro Museum & Art Center's 2009-2010 season is provided by BMAC members and Entergy Vermont Yankee, Foard Panel, C&S Wholesale Grocers, Sam's Outdoor Outfitters, and Chittenden Bank. The Museum's exhibits and gift shop are open 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., except Tuesday and Wednesday. Regular admission is \$6 for adults, \$4 for seniors, and \$3 for students. Members and children 5 and under are admitted free of charge.

Founded in 1972, the Brattleboro Museum & Art Center presents art and ideas in ways that inspire, educate, and engage people of all ages. Each season features compelling new exhibits of contemporary artwork by regional and internationally acclaimed artists, complemented by lectures, artist talks, film screenings, and other public programs. Located in historic Union Station in downtown Brattleboro, at the intersection of Main Street (Route 5) and Routes 119 and 142, the Museum is wheelchair accessible. For more information call 802-257-0124 or visit www.brattleboromuseum.org.

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