



## **Brattleboro Museum & Art Center**

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### **Full Weekend of Events at Brattleboro Museum & Art Center**

*Brattleboro, Vermont*— The Brattleboro Museum & Art Center is hosting a community art-making activity, a talk by artist Le Xi, and a reception to celebrate its current exhibits during the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday weekend.

First up, on Saturday, January 16, 12-3 p.m., is the “Brattleboro Sketchcrawl: Winter Edition.” The follow-up to a popular event organized last summer in collaboration with the River Gallery School, the “sketch crawl” is an opportunity for artists of all ages and experience levels to wander about town, make a drawing, and then gather with fellow artists for appreciation and refreshments. Reservations are not necessary. Start your crawl at Brattleboro’s Winter Farmer’s Market (at the River Garden), where, if necessary, you can purchase simple supplies for \$2.

Later that afternoon, artist Le Xi, whose installation, “Life on Line,” is currently on display at BMAC, will discuss his work. Le Xi settled in New York City in 2002, having worked previously as a stage designer and cinematographer in his native China. Of his work, which is often made up of many small horizontal and vertical lines, Le Xi says, “I try to tell stories that have no beginning or end—whether in two or three dimensions, or computer animation. My artwork represents the two parts of my life—before and after I came to

New York." Le Xi's talk will take place at BMAC at 3 p.m. There is no fee to attend, but regular museum admission is in effect (\$6 adults, \$4 seniors, \$3 students, free for BMAC members and children 5 and under).

On Sunday, January 17 at 12 noon, BMAC welcomes its members to a champagne-brunch reception with many of the artists whose work is currently on display. Vermont artists Eric Aho, Marcy Hermansader, Bill Long, and Joseph Fichter are all expected to attend, as are many of the artists in the large group show, "Drawing Itself: A Survey of Contemporary Practice." This event is open only to BMAC members, exhibiting artists, and their guests. To become a member, call 802-257-0124, ext. 101 or visit [www.brattleboromuseum.org](http://www.brattleboromuseum.org).

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](http://www.brattleboromuseum.org).

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