



Brattleboro Museum & Art Center

10 Vernon Street, Brattleboro, VT 05301

www.brattleboromuseum.org

802-257-0124

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

November 8, 2010

Contact: Susan Calabria

Brattleboro Museum & Art Center

Phone: 802-257-0124, ext. 102

Acclaimed Children's Book Author D.B. Johnson To Read, Discuss, and Demonstrate His Work at BMAC

Brattleboro, Vt.—Award-winning children's-book author and illustrator D.B. Johnson, whose work is currently on display at the Brattleboro Museum & Art Center, will give a presentation at the museum on Saturday, November 13, at 1 p.m. Johnson will read from his newest book, *Palazzo Inverso*, discuss the evolution of the book's M.C. Escher-inspired ideas, and do a sample drawing. He will also sign copies of *Palazzo Inverso*, which is available for purchase at the museum's gift shop.

With the publication of his first illustrated children's book, *Henry Hikes to Fitchburg*, D.B. Johnson made a distinct mark in the world of children's literature. In addition to the praise he has earned for his original picture-book stories, Johnson has also contributed his art to stories by authors such as Linda Michelin (*Zuzu's Wishing Cake*) and Daniel Pinkwater (*Bear's Picture*, 2008). Booklist, in a starred review, cites his "fabulous mixed media illustrations... that add both angular dimension and a right wry touch to (Pinkwater's) simple story." While book illustration is a relatively recent undertaking for Johnson, publication is not: he is a nationally recognized freelance illustrator whose work has appeared in the pages of such well-known publications as the *New York Times Book Review*, *Newsday*, and the *Washington Post*. In addition, Johnson's editorial art began appearing in syndication in the 1980s.

Major support for the Brattleboro Museum & Art Center's 2010-2011 season is provided by BMAC members and Entergy Vermont Yankee, Foard Panel, C&S Wholesale Grocers, Sam's Outdoor Outfitters, and People's United 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.

#