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FIRST WEEKEND EVENTS – ACADEMY ART MUSEUM

Reading and Book Signing

Ron Liebman, author of “Jersey Law”

Friday, August 5, 2011, 5:30 p.m.

Free

Join St. Michaels resident Ron Liebman at the Academy Art Museum for a spirited reading and book signing of his latest novel, “Jersey Law,” featuring cops-turned-attorneys Junne Salerno and Mickie Mezonatti. Booklist calls *Jersey Law*, “engaging and often funny.”

Modernist Inclinations: The Art of Jan Matulka

Through October 16, 2011

The Academy Art Museum is featuring a new exhibition, *Modernist Inclinations: The Art of Jan Matulka*. In the 1920s and 30s, Jan Matulka (1890-1972) was a leader in the New York art world promoting new modes of expression based on his experiences in Paris and across Europe. As an artist and a teacher he investigated and advocated Cubism,

Surrealism, Precisionism and related movements.

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Focus on Flowers: The Photography of Richard Paul Weiblinger

Through August 28, 2011

The Museum is featuring the photography of Richard Paul Weiblinger, an avid nature photographer whose favorite topics include macro images, landscapes and flowers.

Color is a major focus of his work and many of his pieces are chromatically strong. He uses creative lighting in many of his images, not simply illuminating his subject, giving them somewhat surreal quality. Weiblinger lives in Laurel, Maryland and is presently on the staff of the United States Food and Drug Administration.

Goin' Monkey

Saturday, August 6, 2011, 10 and 11 a.m. performances

Cost: Free, 10 and 11am, No registration required

Goin' Monkey is a fun interactive musical experience for children of all ages through ten. Dance and play along to songs that encourage movement and learning about all kinds of musical concepts such as musical ensembles, harmony and melody, body percussion and much more. For children through age 10 (all children must be accompanied by an adult). FREE.

Admission to the Museum is \$3 for non-members, children under 12 admitted free. The

Museum is open Monday and Friday, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. with extended hours on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. – 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday hours are 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. The First Friday of each month, the Museum is open until 7 p.m. The Museum is located at 106 South St., Easton, MD, 21601. For general Museum information, call 410-822-ARTS (2787) or visit: www.academyartmuseum.org.