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***Elmhurst Art Museum's 14th Annual Art in the Park
Fine Arts Festival***

Saturday, May 1 and Sunday, May 2

Presented by Suburban Bank & Trust

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Elmhurst, IL – Elmhurst Art Museum's 14th Annual Art in the Park: A Juried Show of Fine Art, Craft, and Design will take place **Saturday, May 1 and Sunday, May 2, 2010, from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm** on the grounds of Elmhurst Art Museum and Wilder Park. The event is generously supported by Suburban Bank and Trust and produced by RGL Marketing for the Arts.

Art in the Park is a wonderful weekend event featuring unique, artist created jewelry, ceramics, photography, sculpture, furniture, glass, fiber work, and paintings. Artists will be exhibiting and selling their hand-crafted items all weekend-long. Enjoy live entertainment on stage and an assortment of food for sale by select vendors. Family activities, provided by Elmhurst Art Museum, are available from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm each day, including *Raku in the Park(ing Lot)* and a FREE children's activity.

The Museum will be open **free to the public** from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm all weekend in conjunction with the festival. Guests are sure to enjoy the *Portfolio* exhibition of talented high school seniors' works, as well as EAM's own *Collection Highlights*. Bring the entire family to enjoy the artists, music, food, and other fun activities!

Art off the Park—Friday, April 30 from 5:00 – 10:00 pm

Kick-off the festival weekend with special gallery events, music, and more Friday evening.

Raku in the Park(ing Lot)—Saturday, May 1 and Sunday, May 2 from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Bring the family for a fun-filled activity at *Raku in the Park(ing Lot)* where participants can select a pot to glaze, watch as it is fired, and take it home that day. Watch demonstrations on the potter's wheel and shop for finished ceramics created by local artists. Cost to participate is \$15.

FREE Children's Activity—Saturday, May 1 and Sunday, May 2 from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Don't wait all spring for your flowers to grow, make your very own with supplies provided by Elmhurst Art Museum. This project is perfect for children of all ages. Children can make one flower or a whole bouquet (just in time for Mother's Day).

Exhibiting late 20th and early 21st Century American and Contemporary Art, EAM offers exhibitions ranging from national touring works to local emerging and mid-career Chicago and Illinois artists. The AIA award winning building was designed around McCormick House, one of only three Ludwig Mies van der Rohe designed residences. The Mission of Elmhurst Art Museum is to provide the people of Elmhurst and surrounding communities with a center for exploring the visual arts of our time. The museum strives to produce a welcoming atmosphere, where art can be viewed, studied, created and appreciated. The architecturally significant facility enriches the lives of visitors by broadening their knowledge of art and design, increasing the understanding of the visual arts, and sparking the development of individual creative talent. Fifteen miles west of Chicago and adjacent to the Metra West train line, the Museum offers public tours, programs, guest lectures, and art classes.

Hours:

Closed Monday

Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday – 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Wednesdays – 1:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Fridays and Sundays – 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Admission:

The Museum is open FREE to the public on Tuesday

Adults - \$7.00, Seniors - \$5.00, Students - \$5.00, Children under 12 and Members – FREE

For more information, call (630) 834-0202, or visit www.elmhurstartmuseum.org.

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