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NEWS RELEASE

Art in the Park: Snow Sculpting Event

DUBUQUE, Iowa – In partnership with the Dubuque Museum of Art, the City of Dubuque Office of Arts and Cultural Affairs will sponsor Art in the Park Snow Sculpting Event, a snow sculpting competition and a community snow sculpting event on Saturday, Feb. 10, from noon to 4 p.m. at Washington Park, 700 Locust St. The public is invited to attend the free events which are being offered as part of the Dubuque Museum of Art's Second Saturdays event series.

The snow sculpting event will feature three teams including a Dubuque team that participated in last year's U.S. National Snow Sculpting Competition. Each team will begin with a six feet square by eight feet high block of manufactured snow. They will begin carving on Wednesday, Feb. 7, and will have until noon on Sunday, Feb 10, to complete their sculpture. The public will have the opportunity to vote for their favorite sculpture for a People's Choice Award, and the juried selection will be announced at the event at 3:45 p.m.

The community snow sculpting portion of the event offers the public an opportunity to sculpt as well, either as a team or individually. Community teams or individuals of any age interested in creating snow sculptures of their own will have access to a limited number of designated blocks. Tools will be provided. Those interested in carving snow should wear clothing appropriate for the weather. Additional free activities will be offered inside the museum as part of the Dubuque Museum of Art's Second Saturday activities. Light refreshments will be available on museum grounds. In the event of inclement weather, please contact the Dubuque Museum of Art at 563-557-1851 or call 563-580-2485 for event schedule changes.

The event is supported through in-kind contributions from Sundown Mountain, Spahn & Rose Lumber Company, and JaMar Pattern, Inc., McCoy Trucking, and is a sanctioned WinterFun. Inc. contest.

For additional information, visit www.cityofdubuque.org/artinthepark or www.dbqart.com or contact City of Dubuque Arts and Cultural Affairs Coordinator Debra Alleyne at 563-690-6059 or dalleyne@cityofdubuque.org.

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