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Lyman Allyn Art Museum

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VISIT THE LYMAN ALLYN ART MUSEUM FOR FREE THROUGH SEPT. 3

NEW LONDON - The Lyman Allyn Art Museum has a great, no-cost way to entertain friends and family during these final weeks of summer. The Museum is offering free admission to all visitors through Sept. 3, generously funded by Dominion Energy. The grant is connected to the Museum's current exhibition, *Barkley L. Hendricks in New London*, which runs through Sept. 3.

"We want to thank Dominion Energy and invite everyone into our galleries throughout the month of August," Museum Director Sam Quigley said. "The Barkley Hendricks show features the art and photography of one of New London's own, and we're hoping free admission will bring in even more visitors during the final weeks of the show."

The Museum will also present a panel symposium, "Looking at Legacy: Reflecting on Barkley L. Hendricks with Connecticut Arts Leaders" on Aug. 11 from 5 to 7:30 p.m. at the Museum. Regional arts leaders will discuss Hendricks' artistic legacy and issues related to teaching in the arts and humanities today. Panelists include Kalia Brooks, Director of Programs and Exhibitions at NXTHVN; Kate Rushin, Distinguished Visiting Poet at Connecticut College; Alexis Boylan, Director of Academic Affairs at UCONN Humanities Institute; and Marvin Espy, a distinguished artist, who lives and works in New London. The program, in-person and virtual, is free, but attendees need to register in advance. Please visit lymanallyn.org to register for the program.

For more information or to request images, please contact Rebecca Dawson by email at dawson@lymanallyn.org.

About the Lyman Allyn Art Museum

The Lyman Allyn Art Museum welcomes visitors from New London, southeastern Connecticut and all over the world. Established in 1926 with a gift from Harriet Allyn in memory of her seafaring father, the Museum opened the doors of its beautiful neoclassical building surrounded by 12 acres of green space in 1932. Today it presents several changing exhibitions each year and houses a fascinating collection of over 18,000 objects from ancient times to the present, including art from Africa, Asia, the Americas and Europe, with particularly strong collections of American paintings, decorative arts and Victorian toys and doll houses.

The Museum is located at 625 Williams Street, New London, Connecticut, exit 83 off I-95. The Museum is open **Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Sundays 1 - 5 p.m.**; it is closed on Mondays and major holidays. For more information call 860.443.2545, ext. 2129 or visit www.lymanallyn.org.