

# Mathers Museum of World Cultures

## Events and Exhibitions Calendar

### March 2014

#### Events



**Family Craft Day**  
Carnival  
Sunday, March 2  
2 to 3:30 p.m.



**MMWC Lecture**  
The Matter of Mardi Gras:  
How People Use the Tangible  
Things of this World to Create  
the Intangible  
Tuesday, March 4  
12 p.m.



**MMWC Panel Discussion**  
Museums and the Presentation  
of Native Peoples and Native  
Material Culture  
Friday, March 7  
3:30 p.m.



**MMWC Presentation**  
Bridging Cultures:  
Native American Quilts  
Saturday, March 8  
1 p.m.



**IU Spring Break**  
The MMWC will be closed from  
Monday, March 17 through  
Monday, March 24 during IU  
Spring Break.



**Family Day at Lotus Blossoms  
Bazaar** (at Binford Elementary  
School, 2300 E. 2nd St.)  
Saturday, March 29  
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

#### Featured Event

**Bridging Cultures: Native American Quilts**  
Saturday, March 8; 1 p.m.

Native American quilts will be highlighted during a special event presented as a "bed turning"--a discussion of the quilts led by Ray DeMallie and Doug Parks, co-directors of IU's American Indian Studies Research Institute and professors of Anthropology.

Traditionally, bed turnings would bring quilters into each other's homes, gathering in bedrooms to view layers of quilts displayed on a bed. As each quilt was shown, its maker would discuss her work and craft. The quilt would then be "turned" (peeled off the bed) so the next quilt could be seen and shared. This willingness to share will be reflected in the nature of quilts that will be discussed--the featured quilts were made by Native peoples and shared with researchers (including DeMallie and Parks) working with them. The event will be free and open to the public, and will be presented in conjunction with the [Indiana Heritage Quilt Show](#).

#### Exhibitions

**Ojibwe Public Art, Ostrom Privates Lives**—Presents works by late 20th century Ojibwe artists of Manitoulin Island, Canada, collected by Elinor and Vincent Ostrom.

**Assessing Authenticity: Museum Fakes and Mistakes**—Explores issues of museum object identification and authentication.

**From the Big Bang to the World Wide Web: The Origins of Everything**—Examines history on a large scale.

**Rhythms of the World Audio Exhibit**—Provides a free audio tour of musical instruments from around the globe.

**Thoughts, Things, and Theories...What Is Culture?**—Examines the nature of culture.

#### Visiting the MMWC

The Mathers Museum of World Cultures is located at 416 N. Indiana Avenue, Bloomington, Indiana. Admission to the museum is free. The MMWC exhibition hall and Mathers Museum Store are open Tuesdays through Fridays, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; and Saturdays and Sundays, from 1 to 4:30 p.m.

Free visitor parking is available by the Indiana Avenue lobby entrance. Metered parking is available at the McCalla School parking lot on the corner of Ninth Street and Indiana Avenue. The parking lot also has spaces designated for Indiana University C and E permits. During the weekends free parking is available on the surrounding streets.

An access ramp is located at the Fess Avenue entrance to the Glenn A. Black Laboratory of Archaeology on the corner of Ninth Street and Fess Avenue. Reserved parking spaces are available on Ninth Street, between Fess Avenue and Indiana Avenue. If you have a disability and need assistance, special arrangements can be made to accommodate most needs. Please call 812-855-6873. For more information, please call 812-855-6873, email [mathers@indiana.edu](mailto:mathers@indiana.edu), or visit our website at [www.mathers.indiana.edu](http://www.mathers.indiana.edu).



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