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## Museum of Glass Joins Smithsonian Magazine's 12th Annual Museum Day Live!

Free admission on September 24, 2016, with a downloadable Museum Day Live! ticket

Tacoma, Wash. — Museum of Glass (MOG) will open its doors free of charge on Saturday, September 24, 2016, as part of *Smithsonian magazine's* 12th annual Museum Day Live! On this day only, participating museums across the United States emulate the spirit of the Smithsonian Institution's Washington DC-based facilities, which offer free admission every day, and open their doors for free to those who download a Museum Day Live! ticket.

Inclusive by design, the event represents Smithsonian's commitment to make learning and the spread of knowledge accessible to everyone. Last year's event drew over 200,000 participants, and this year's event is expected to attract more museum-goers than ever before.

"The Museum's mission is to ignite creativity, fuel discovery, and enrich lives through glass and glassmaking," says MOG Artistic Director, Susan Warner. "Participating in Museum Day Live! is a wonderful opportunity for Museum of Glass to share its exhibitions, programs, and Hot Shop demonstrations with our community."

Saturday's visitors will be amongst the first to see MOG's new exhibition, *Into the Deep*, which includes more than 55 pieces that reflect the movements, textures, shapes, and colors associated with being underwater through the medium of glass.



Kelly O'Dell (American, born 1973) and Raven Skyriver (American, born 1982). *Treasure-trove*, 2016. Blown and sculpted glass.  $12 \times 16 \times 13$  inches (30.5 x 40.6 x 33 cm). Courtesy of the artists. Photo by Kp Studios.

The Museum Day Live! ticket is available for download at <u>Smithsonian.com/museumday</u>. Visitors who present the Museum Day Live! ticket will gain free entrance for two at participating venues on September 24, 2016. One ticket per household is permitted. For more information about Museum

Day Live! 2016 and a full list of participating museums and cultural institutions, please visit Smithsonian.com/museumday.

Museum of Glass is sponsored in part by the City of Tacoma Arts Commission, ArtsFund, The Greater Tacoma Community Foundation, and The Dimmer Family Foundation.



## Hours and Admission

Museum and Store open Wednesday through Saturday 10 am to 5 pm, Third Thursdays 10 am to 8 pm, and Sundays 12 pm to 5 pm until Memorial Day. Closed Monday and Tuesday. Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day. Open Martin Luther King, Jr. Day and Presidents' Day. Museum and Store open Monday through Sunday during Summer months, Memorial Day through Labor Day. Open Memorial Day, Independence Day, and Labor Day.

Admission is free for members, \$15 general, \$12 seniors, military and students (13+ with ID), \$13 AAA Members, \$12 groups of 20 or more, \$10 groups of 50 or more, and \$5 for children (6-12) years old. Children 5 and under are admitted free. Admission is free every third Thursday of the month from 5 pm to 8 pm.

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