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#### **Heckscher Museum of Art Presents**

# Art in Bloom: Nature and Art Beautifully Combined On view June 8 & 9, 2019

Huntington, NY -- The North Country Garden Club, Locust Valley, and the Three Harbors Garden Club, Cold Spring Harbor, are brightening The Heckscher Museum galleries for Art in Bloom, on view June 8 and 9. Vibrant floral arrangements showcase creative designs inspired by art in the exhibition *In a New Light: American Impressionism* 1870 to 1940. The exhibition is on loan through Bank of America Art in Our Communities® program.

There will be 10 original floral designs in the Museum galleries. The impressive arrangements will be placed near the art that inspired them. Art in Bloom is on view throughout the weekend during regular Museum hours.

# June 8 & 9, 2019 1 to 3 pm

Garden Club Docents are in the galleries to discuss the arrangements and design process.

## June 9, 2019

2 to 2:30 pm

Watch a floral design in progress! Two teams will receive identical flowers and containers. Visitors can follow their vision and watch two unique designs come to life in only half an hour. The final arrangements will be raffled. (Image: Ernest Lawson, Connecticut Trout Stream, 1920. Bank of America Collection)

Art in Bloom is sponsored by Robin T. Hadley and Patricia P. Sands



"Every designer has a unique approach to design. Some begin with color, others feel the emotion of the painting and then take on the challenge to determine the flowers that connect and depict that emotion," said Pamela Sherlock, **Three Harbors Garden Club**. "For these designs, our members interpreted the scale, line, color harmonies, rhythm, and balance found in the work of the American Impressionists."

"The painter's brushstrokes create mood, with light, texture, and composition. The floral designers were inspired to select their paintings because of this emotional connection," said Jane White, **North Country Garden Club**. "In turn, we hope visitors recognize this connection and appreciate the creativity of floral design."

Both organizations are members of the Garden Club of America, and promote the art and science of gardening, restoration, conservation of

natural resources and horticulture. (Image:Frank Nuderscher, Red Cross Drive, 1918, Bank of America Collection)

## **About The North Country Garden Club**

The North Country Garden Club was established in 1913. Through the work of its members, the club is dedicated to preserving the natural resources of its North Shore community. Over the years, the club has been involved in many projects including the care and maintenance of the Francke Sanctuary in Brookville, the garden at historic Earle-Wightman House in Oyster Bay, and various projects at Bailey Arboretum in Locust Valley. The club has installed landscapes for several Habitat for Humanity projects and awards scholarships each year to high school seniors pursuing horticulture, conservation, and environmental studies. www.NCGC.org

### **About Three Harbors Garden Club**

Three Harbors Garden Club was founded in 1952 to cover Cold Spring Harbor, Lloyd Harbor and Huntington Harbor. The Club manages the Cold Spring Harbor Library Nancy Gay Garden and Trustee Park. It supports Caumsett State Park's Grassland Restoration project, as well as campers at North Shore Holiday House with herbs and flowers. The club hosts lectures regarding conservation, horticulture and floral design. In support of the community, members have designed and planted on the grounds of Henry Lloyd Manor House, The Whaling Museum, Cold Spring Harbor Fish Hatchery, Fiske Sanctuary, Shore Road Preserve and Theodore Roosevelt Bird Sanctuary. <a href="mailto:@threeharborsgardenclub">@threeharborsgardenclub</a>

#### **About The Heckscher Museum of Art**

The Heckscher Museum of Art is located in scenic Heckscher Park in Huntington, within walking distance of shops and award-winning restaurants. The Museum provides a dynamic schedule of changing exhibitions on American art, inspiring education experiences for students and an exciting series of public programs for all ages. The Heckscher Museum of Art was founded in 1920 by philanthropist August Heckscher, and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The Museum's Permanent Collection comprises close to 2,500 works from the 16<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup> century, including European and American painting, sculpture, works on paper, and photography. For more information, visit Heckscher.org.

Museum Hours
Wednesday - Friday | 10:00 am - 5:00 pm \*
Saturday - Sunday | 11:00 am - 5:00 pm \*
Monday & Tuesday | Closed

\*Huntington Township Residents admitted FREE Wednesdays after 2:00 pm and Saturdays before 1:00pm. Proof of residency required. **Free Admission for Active Military Personnel, Veterans, and Family** 



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