WAR MEMORANDA

AFGHAN WAR RUGS

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AFGHAN WAR RUGS OPEN THROUGH 10.16

This private collection of 42 rare and distinguished ornamental rugs represent a rich aesthetic tradition and the violent reality of contemporary central Asia.

Through these pieces, the Western world is offered various works that not only break 1,000 year old tradition, but also open interpretation to an Eastern view of history, politics, culture, religion and the ever-growing globalization of world trade.

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- Jonathan Binstock
Director, Memorial Art Gallery

"These two complementary exhibitions: Afghan War Rugs and War Memoranda provide an opportunity to engage our visitors in a safe and open dialogue about the impact of war and violence on people and culture."

BOTTOM: Rug with the Minaret of Jam, Western Afghanistan (acquired in Peshawar, Pakistan), 1991. Knotted Wool

Afghan War Rugs: The Modern Art of Central Asia, Curated by Enrico Mascelloni and Annemarie Sawkins, PhD
Photographer Binh Danh and poet Robert Schultz have drawn upon the words of Walt Whitman to reflect on war.

Danh uses 19th century technology to transfer striking portraits of soldiers and battlefield landscapes to create daguerreotypes, chlorophyll prints, cyanotypes, and artists books. Schultz's poetry accompanies each work.

This exhibition has been organized by the Taubman Museum of Art in Roanoke, Virginia.

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"The Memorial Art Gallery can and should bring these difficult conversations to Rochester in a meaningful way, to help bring people together and make a more informed community as a result."

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Bodies in Space is the inaugural video art exhibition of MAG’s Media Arts Initiative. The exhibition was organized by John Hanhardt (pictured above), our new Consulting Senior Curator of Media Arts, and features work by Nam June Paik and Bruce Nauman, key artists from the early years of video art, alongside more recent work by Sondra Perry and Takeshi Murata, artists on the cutting edge of a new generation transforming the digital media arts.
WHAT'S GOING ON @

8/28 Sunday
Keith Haring Apocalypse closes

9/9 Friday
Courtly Pleasures: Indian Miniature Paintings opens

9/10 Saturday learn more
Clothesline Festival $5/$4 members
10 AM - 6 PM (9:30 AM preview for MAG members)

9/11 Sunday
Clothesline Festival $5/$4 members
10 AM - 5 PM

9/25 Sunday
War Memoranda: A Conversation with Binh Danh & Robert Schultz learn more

10/2 Sunday
Hispanic/Latino Heritage Family Day
$5 suggested donation learn more

10/6 Thursday
MAG closes at 5 PM for U of R event

10/7 Friday
Media Arts Watch Exhibit opens

10/22 Saturday
Devour Rochester Wine Dinner learn more

THURSDAYS
5 - 8 PM EVERY WEEK
GALLERY OPEN UNTIL 9 PM

- HALF-PRICE MUSEUM ADMISSION
- FOOD & DRINKS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE FROM BROWN HOUND DOWNTOWN!
- MAG HIGHLIGHTS TOUR - 6 PM
- LIVE MUSIC
- GALLERY STORE SHOPPING
- SPECIAL EVENTS
  - September 15 | Alternative Music Film Series (free) learn more
  - October 20 | Alternative Music Film Series (free) learn more
- ART SOCIAL - 6:30 PM/$15 (includes museum admission) learn more
  - September 15 | Drawn to Color
  - September 22 | Afghan Kites
  - September 29 | De'Via Art/Celebrating Deaf Awareness (open to all)
  - October 13 | Fall Foliage
  - October 20 | Portrait Pop Art
  - October 27 | Watercolor Wonders (inspired by Georgia O’Keeffe)

SUNDAYS
"Going for Baroque"
Organ Recitals
1:00 - 1:30 PM & 3:00 - 3:30 PM in the Fountain Court

Going for Baroque is a weekly series of mini-recitals featuring students from the Eastman School of Music performing on the Italian Baroque organ on the second floor of the museum. Included in your MAG admission!

*Visit mag.rochester.edu/calendar for updated information.
M&T BANK CLOTHESLINE FESTIVAL

60th Clothesline

September 10 & 11

Juried show. 400+ artists.
Ceramics, jewelry, wood, leather, painting, glass, metal, photography, and more!

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TRAVEL
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October 16–24

Artists from Rembrandt to Vermeer and Van Gogh to M. C. Escher have gravitated to the Netherlands for its vibrant colors and landscapes. We’ll visit museums, galleries and studios in Amsterdam, The Hague and more.

Contact Andrea Adams, 585.330.1242 (andie@rochester.rr.com)

CALLING ALL ART LOVERS
Are you a MAG member looking for a way to get involved? We invite you to join the Gallery Council. As a member, you’ll serve on committees with other art lovers, attend interesting programs, and volunteer on two fund-raising projects a year, all to benefit MAG.

Call us at 585.276.8910 or visit mag.rochester.edu/gallerycouncil.
GENERAL INFO

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UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER

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Rochester, NY 14607
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RESTAURANT
Trish Aser and Joe Scardilla (pictured, left) operate Brown Hound Downtown, MAG's cafe and dining spot! Show your MAG membership card and get 10% off! (card holder only) For more info including menu and hours check the website

CREATIVE WORKSHOP
Visit our website to learn about year-round art classes and camps for all ages.

ART LIBRARY / TEACHER CENTER
HOURS: Wednesday - Friday 1pm - 5pm
Open to the public for browsing and to members, educators, and UR students, faculty, and staff for borrowing. Visit mag.rochester.edu/library (585.276.8999).

GUIDED TOURS
REGULARLY SCHEDULED TOURS: FRIDAY AND SUNDAY AT 1PM & THURSDAY AT 6PM
To schedule a docent-led school or group tour, contact Mary Ann Monley, mmonley@mag.rochester.edu (585.276.8974).

MAGexplore
Tour the collection online. Using your mobile phone, tablet or computer. Visit mag.rochester.edu/explore for more information.

MUSEUM HOURS
Wednesday–Sunday 11 am–5 pm & until 9 pm Thursday.
Also open until 9 pm September 2 & October 7 (First Fridays).
Closed Mondays and Tuesdays.

Museum offices are open Monday–Friday during regular business hours.

MUSEUM ADMISSION
Free to members, UR faculty/staff and students with ID and children 5 and under. General admission $14; senior citizens, $10; college students with ID and children 6–18, $5.

Half-price general admission Thursdays from 5 to 9 pm is made possible in part by Monroe County.

CENTENNIAL SCULPTURE PARK
This 8-acre park is a showcase of outdoor art, with major installations by Wendell Castle, Jackie Ferrara, Tom Otterness and Albert Paley. Explore Story Walk and Poets Walk interactive sidewalks bordering the MAG grounds. Always open. Always free.

GALLERY STORE
Open Wednesday–Saturday
10am–5 pm, until 9 pm Thursday;
Sunday 11 am–5 pm.; closed Monday and Tuesday. Visit maggallerystore.com or call (585.276.9010).

JOIN THE CONVERSATION
Go behind the scenes at MAG, explore the collection and share your impressions. Follow us on Instagram. To receive weekly e-news about MAG events, visit the sign up page.
GENERAL INFO (cont’d)

MEMBER PERKS
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EVENTS RENTAL
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GIVING OPPORTUNITIES
The Memorial Art Gallery is a non-profit organization. To make a donation to the Gallery, visit mag.rochester.edu/join/giving or call Joe Carney, Senior Director of MAG advancement, at 585.276.8941 (jcarney@mag.rochester.edu). You may also text GIVEMAG to 24587 to donate to MAG today!

PARKING
Park free in any MAG lot. Accessible spaces are in lot A (near the University entrance) and lot D (near the rear entrance). Reserved Creative Workshop spaces are in lot D.

ACCESSIBILITY
Wheelchairs are available in the Vanden Brul Pavilion coatroom. The auditorium is equipped with an assistive listening system made possible by the Mark and Bobbie Hargrave Hard of Hearing Fund of Rochester Area Community Foundation, the MAG Community Access Endowment Fund, and an anonymous donor.

To schedule a sign language interpreter or touch tour for the blind, or to request a Braille or text calendar, contact cander35@mag.rochester.edu (585.276.8971). People who are deaf or hard of hearing may call via Relay Service. We also offer a special cell phone tour for the visually impaired.

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