EXHIBITION FACT SHEET

Title: IN COMPANY WITH ANGELS: SEVEN REDISCOVERED TIFFANY WINDOWS

When: August 26–October 28, 2012

Description: Removed from an Ohio church in 1964, these magnificent windows were stored in parishioners’ garages, basements and sheds for nearly four decades before being rediscovered and confirmed as the work of American master Louis Comfort Tiffany. Now restored to their original glory by a team of conservators, the seven windows stand eight feet tall and depict angels from the Biblical book of Revelation.

In Rochester, a companion installation explores the making of a stained glass window through objects on loan from Pike Stained Glass Studios, Inc., a locally-owned family firm whose founder worked for Tiffany. Also on view are eight Tiffany lamps from the collection of Jeffrey Metzger and Robin Hamilton and works from other private lenders and the Memorial Art Gallery collection.

Credits: This exhibition was organized by In Company with Angels, Inc. In Rochester, it is sponsored by ESL Federal Credit Union, with additional support provided by Robert Lehman Foundation, Nancy G. Curme and Dr. Vivian A. Palladoro.

Special events: These include an Exhibition Party (August 25), two lectures (September 16 and 27) and stained glass tour at Third Presbyterian Church (September 29). For details, see attached release.

Hours: Wednesday–Sunday 11 am–5 pm and Thursday until 9 pm. Closed Mondays and Tuesdays.

Admission: $12; senior citizens, $8; college students with ID and children 6–18, $5. Always free to members, UR students, and children 5 and under. Half-price admission Thursdays from 5–9 is sponsored in part by Monroe County.

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In Company with Angels, Inc. in Rochester. Photography by Douglas A. Lockhard courtesy of In Company with Angels, Inc.
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NEW MAG EXHIBITION CELEBRATES RECENTLY REDISCOVERED TIFFANY WINDOWS
Nationally touring show opens here August 26

ROCHESTER, NY — When an Ohio church was demolished to make way for a highway in 1964, admirers of the building’s stained glass took action. A group of parishioners removed seven eight-foot windows depicting angels from the Book of Revelation and stored them in basements and garages. But it would be nearly 40 years before the windows—now owned by a congregation in Pennsylvania—would be rediscovered, confirmed as the work of American master Louis Comfort Tiffany, and restored to their original glory. Today, these magnificent windows are in the midst of a national tour.

*In Company with Angels: Seven Rediscovered Tiffany Windows* opens at the Memorial Art Gallery August 26, 2012 and remains on view through October 28. In Rochester, a companion installation explores the making of a stained glass window through watercolor renderings, cartoons, glass samples and tools on loan from Pike Stained Glass Studios, Inc., a locally-owned family firm whose founder worked for Tiffany. Also on view are eight superb Tiffany lamps from the collection of Jeffrey Metzger and Robin Hamilton and other objects from the MAG collection and private lenders.

**Sponsors**
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**Programs and events**
These include an exhibition party (August 25), two lectures (September 16 and 27) and a stained glass tour at Third Presbyterian Church (September 29). *For details, see attached release.*

**National tour**
*In Company with Angels* is in the midst of an extensive tour. The exhibition comes to the Memorial Art Gallery from the Springfield (MA) Museums, where it is on view through August 5. From MAG, it will travel to Urbana (OH) University (November 10, 2012–January 6, 2013) and the Montgomery (AL) Museum of Fine Arts (January 17–March 17, 2013).

**Learn more**
For more about the restoration of the windows, visit [incompanywithangels.org](http://www.incompanywithangels.org)

**Catalog**
A fully illustrated softcover catalog is available in the Gallery Store, $18.

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Programs and Events

Exhibition Party
Saturday, August 25, 8–11 pm
Welcome the angels with heavenly music and entertainment. Let your spirits soar to the sounds of the Fabulous Bright Clouds gospel band with special guests. Be transported by Concentus Women’s Chorus, performing a capella selections. Enjoy the offbeat sounds of Bogs Visionary Orchestra. Get in touch with your own personal angels at an angel card reading by Kim Williams. Purchase cocktails, coffee, snacks and dessert by our party sponsor, Max at the Gallery (also serving dinner 5–9 pm).

Tickets are $25 (free to MAG supporter members and above). Reservations are required. Go to mag.rochester.edu, stop by the Gallery’s Admission Desk, or call 585.276.8939. To ensure your reservation, please order your tickets by Friday, August 17.

Lectures included in Gallery admission
• Sunday, September 16 @ 2 pm: Glass artist Valerie O’Hara of Pike Stained Glass Studios, Inc. gives an illustrated lecture on the history of stained glass. Her company, a locally owned family firm whose founder worked for Louis Comfort Tiffany, is lending watercolor renderings, cartoons, glass samples and tools to the Gallery during the exhibition.
• Thursday, September 27 @ 7 pm: Don Hall speaks on “Louis Comfort Tiffany: His Life and Work.” Hall is the retired director of Strasenburgh Planetarium and an authority on American decorative arts.

Stained Glass Tour free (donations to Third Presbyterian welcome)
Saturday, September 29 @ 10 am: Valerie O’Hara of Pike Stained Glass Studios, Inc. leads a tour of American stained glass at Third Presbyterian Church. Her company, a locally owned family firm whose founder worked for Louis Comfort Tiffany, is lending watercolor renderings, cartoons, glass samples and tools to the Gallery during In Company with Angels. Meet at the church (corner of East Avenue and Meigs Street).

Studio Art Classes
Design, cut, grind and solder your own stained glass project at the Gallery’s Creative Workshop. Artist Nancy Topolski will lead four five-session classes on Thursday evenings beginning September 20 and October 18; and Thursday afternoons beginning September 27 and February 7. Registration opens August 27 (August 15 for Memorial Art Gallery members). For more information call the Workshop, 585.276.8959.

Guided Exhibition Tours included in Gallery admission
Sunday, August 26, 1, 2 & 3 pm
Fridays, September 14–October 26, 2 pm
Sundays, September 26–October 28, 1 pm

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