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The Whistler House Announces New Exhibition - Peace of the Sea: Pamela Wamala

The Whistler House Museum of Art is pleased to announce its upcoming exhibition, *Peace of the Sea: Pamela Wamala*. The exhibition will run from March 16 – April 29, 2016. An opening reception will be held on Saturday, March 19 from 2 to 4 pm in the Parker Gallery.

Peace of the Sea presents a collection of pastels, oils, and mixed media paintings that reflect artist Pamela Wamala's mission to foster peace. Through her images she helps people feel inner harmony when viewing her works of art. Wamala says, "The paintings in Peace of the Sea...capture moments of time at the shore. Like so many others, I am drawn to the seaside. There is majesty and magic in the light, beauty, and rhythm that exists at the sea and salt marshes."

Ms. Wamala began painting at the age of 5 with her grandfather, and says that she is an artist and teacher as a result of his influence. She holds a BFA in Drawing & Painting from the University of Massachusetts Lowell. She is a studio artist at The Brush Art Gallery & Studios in Lowell, MA, and is a member of the Lowell Art Association, Inc. Her work can be found in professional and corporate collections in the U.S. and abroad.

President and Executive Director Sara Bogosian says, "The tranquil nature of the colors in Pamela's works are very calming, serene, and yet uplifting. Pamela is a former Board of Trustee and a long-time friend of our organization. We are pleased to have her exhibition at the Whistler House Museum of Art."

In the adjacent Members Room, the Whistler House Museum of Art will be exhibiting Visual Voices VII, a biannual art show featuring works by Lowell's K-12 student artists. The Whistler House will be one of three local museums and galleries to display student work. The exhibition will run from March 19 – April 23, 2016. A reception will be held at all participating venues on Saturday, April 2, with staggered times to allow visitors to attend each reception.

In conjunction with this exhibition, the Image Theater will be presenting the 2016 Fem Noire (The Festival of Women Playwrights) on Friday and Saturday, April 8 and 9, 2016. Doors open at 7pm, and show time is at 8pm. Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased in advance at

imagetheater.com, or at the door.

The Whistler House Museum of Art, located in Lowell, Massachusetts, is the historic birthplace of the famous American artist, James McNeill Whistler. Established in 1878 as the Lowell Art Association Inc., it is the oldest incorporated art association in the United States. It is known internationally for its distinguished collection of 19th and early 20th century New England representational art. The Whistler House hosts many exhibits, lectures, concerts, educational and community programs, and an array of social events in the residence, the Parker Gallery, and adjoining Victorian park. The WHMA is located on 243 Worthen Street in Lowell, Massachusetts. The museum is open Wednesday through Saturday from 11 am to 4 pm.