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Art on the River Adds Public Art Lecture and Workshop

DUBUQUE, Iowa -- The City of Dubuque Economic Development Department and the Office of Arts and Cultural Affairs are offering a new addition to Art on the River this year. A free lecture and workshop on public art will be presented at noon on Friday, June 30, the day after this year's Art on the River opening reception.

The event will be held at The Smokestack at 62 E. Seventh St. and will run until approximately 1:30 p.m. Light refreshments will be provided and lunch can be purchased. Registration for the event is free but required, as space is limited. To register, please visit www.cityofdubuque.org/artsandculture.

Patricia Walsh, public art programs manager for Americans for the Arts, will deliver the keynote address, "Community and the Implementation of Public Art." Her presentation will include examples of public art projects in other communities and their impact in those communities. Following her address, attendees will be invited to participate in a workshop focusing on Dubuque's public spaces and existing and desired public art projects.

"As the City prepares to implement its arts and culture master plan, of which public art is a significant component, our hope is to engage and invigorate the community in the process and purpose of community-driven public art projects," said City of Dubuque Arts and Cultural Affairs Coordinator Debra Alleyne. She said this educational engagement session will be the first of many steps to engage the arts community and the public at-large in participation in the arts and their community.

For additional information, visit www.cityofdubuque.org/artsandculture or contact City of Dubuque Arts and Cultural Affairs Coordinator Debra Alleyne at 563-690-6059 or dalleyne@cityofdubuque.org.

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