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**WADSWORTH ATHENEUM MUSEUM OF ART PRESENTS**  
**33<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL FINE ART & FLOWERS**

The Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art's annual spring fundraiser "Fine Art & Flowers" will take place Friday, April 25 - Sunday, April 27, 2014. During the event floral arrangements and garden designs inspired by works of art in the museum's collections are created by community florists, garden clubs and designers, and are displayed in the galleries throughout the weekend. "Fine Art & Flowers" will also feature special events, listed below, tours, a marketplace with local vendors and more. Admission to the museum during "Fine Art & Flowers" is: \$13 Adults; \$11 Seniors (62+); \$8 Students with ID; \$3 Members and children (ages 2-12). For more information visit [thewadsworth.org/flowers](http://thewadsworth.org/flowers).

**SPECIAL EVENTS**

**Friday, April 25, 12 - 2 p.m.**

**Floral Arranging Demo & Luncheon, "Little Black Dress"**

Floral design professional Bill Graham gives a presentation on how to accessorize your "little black dress" by creating one-of-a-kind floral arrangements to match any occasion. Afterwards join Graham for lunch in Avery Court, catered by The Museum Cafe. For 25 years Bill has owned the gift and floral shop [Beautiful Things, Ltd.](#) in Salem, Massachusetts. In addition to his shop, he is also an active guest speaker at many garden clubs and other venues throughout New England. \$75. [Purchase tickets online](#) or call (860) 838-4100 Wednesday - Sunday, 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**Saturday, April 26, 6 p.m.**

**Farm-to-Table Dinner**

Guests will enjoy a four-course farm-to-table dinner with fresh ingredients from local farms, distilleries and vineyards including City Steam Brewery Cafe, Hartford Baking Co., NoRA Cupcake Company, Winding Drive Jams, Onyx Moonshine, Rosedale Farms & Vineyards and more. The Connecticut Lyric Opera will perform selections from their upcoming performance of Puccini's "Madama Butterfly." \$95. [Purchase tickets online](#) or call (860) 838-4100 Wednesday - Sunday, 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**About the Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art**

The Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art is America's first public art museum, founded in 1842. The museum is located at 600 Main St., Hartford, Connecticut and is open Wed. to Fri., 11 a.m. - 5 p.m., Sat. and Sun., 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., and the first Thursday of every month 11 a.m. - 8 p.m. Visit [thewadsworth.org](http://thewadsworth.org) for more information.

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