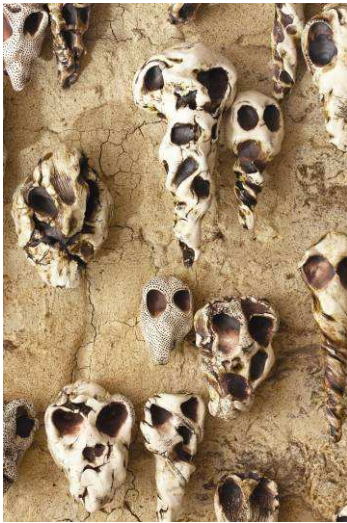




FREDERIK MEIJER Gardens & Sculpture Park

2010 EXHIBITION SCHEDULE



Spirit and Form: Michele Oka Doner and the Natural World

January 29 – May 9, 2010

American artist Michele Oka Doner is widely celebrated for her sculpture, installations and public art projects, and is similarly acclaimed for her prints, jewelry and functional objects. Among the most versatile artists working today, the inspiration she draws from nature is the defining factor and unifying force across her repertoire in both formal and spiritual terms. This exhibition, Oka Doner's largest to date, examines the breadth of her endeavors from recent figurative projects in bronze and on paper to iconic functional objects in bronze and silver. Of special note will be her site specific installation of more than 1,500 recently completed ceramic *soul catchers* completed during her residency at the famed Nymphenburg porcelain studios in Munich, Germany. This exhibition is timed to coincide with the completion of *Beneath the Leafy Crown*, the expansive 1,200 square foot bronze and terrazzo floor commissioned by Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park.



Butterflies Are Blooming

March 1 – April 30, 2010

A visitor favorite in its fifteenth year, Butterflies Are Blooming features butterflies from tropical regions around the world flying freely in the 5-story Tropical Conservatory. The 80-degree conservatory is filled with thousands of exotic butterflies from tropical regions around the world. More than 40 different species of butterflies and moth make this a warm and colorful exhibition. Throughout the exhibition, butterflies can be viewed drinking nectar from the flowering plants and feeding stations, congregating among stream beds and flying freely within the five-story tropical conservatory. Approximately 800 chrysalides are delivered to Meijer Gardens weekly. Visitors may watch delicate chrysalides and cocoons being placed in the Butterfly Bungalow, where the unique creatures transform and take their first flight. Long-time favorites such as the Blue Morpho, with its large metallic blue wings and the Clearwing, with its see-through wings will return. Others such as the Tree Nymph, Black Swordtail, Leopard Lacewing and the Atlas Moth, with its impressive six-to-twelve-inch wingspan are also expected to make appearances.



Chihuly at Frederik Meijer Gardens and Sculpture Park: A New Eden

April 30 – September 30, 2010

The work of renowned artist Dale Chihuly will be the subject of a large-scale outdoor exhibition at Frederik Meijer Gardens and Sculpture Park. Fifteen monumental glass sculpture installations will be located throughout our conservatories, gardens and grounds. Chihuly designed the exhibition specifically to respond to the horticultural focus and natural conditions of each of the respective sites. *Chihuly at Frederik Meijer Gardens and Sculpture Park: A New Eden* celebrates the efforts of one of the world's foremost artists across the campus of one of the nation's most unique cultural organizations. In addition to the exhibition, two permanent installations are on display: *Gilded Champagne Gardens Chandelier* in Meijer Gardens' Atrium and the newly installed *Lena's Garden* suspended from the ceiling of the Café.

The above image is a representative sample, not part of the Meijer Gardens' exhibition.



Summer Concert Series

June – September, 2010

Eclectic selections of world-renowned musicians headline the 8th annual Summer Concert Series at the Meijer Gardens Amphitheater. The intimate 1750-seat lawn setting is a great place to enjoy a picnic and great music in the summer weather. Past performers include Lyle Lovett, The Doobie Brothers, Bonnie Raitt, Keb' Mo', Kenny Rogers, Willie Nelson, B.B. King, Art Garfunkel and more. The lineup will be announced in spring 2010.



Sculptors Celebrate the Legacy of Fred and Lena Meijer

June 4, 2010 – January 2, 2011

Through the generosity of Fred and Lena Meijer, Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park has assembled one of the world's foremost collections of Modern and Contemporary sculpture. In honor of the Meijer legacy and in celebration of the namesake institution's 15th anniversary, contemporary sculptors represented in the permanent collection will be displaying new work in this unique gallery exhibition. From Louise Bourgeois and Deborah Butterfield, to Mark di Suvero and Antony Gormley, to Claes Oldenburg and Tom Otterness, many artists have developed a special affinity for Meijer Gardens and the Meijers themselves. This exhibition

individually examines the present endeavors of numerous iconic masters from across the contemporary scene and collectively commemorates the breadth and depth of the permanent collection developed with the support of Fred and Lena Meijer.



ColorFall

September 17 – October 31, 2010

This annual celebration of the autumn season features an extensive chrysanthemum display with hundreds of flowering plants in both interior and exterior areas. Indoor highlights include varieties on display along the winding Scenic Corridor and the Seasonal Display Greenhouse, while outdoor plantings are featured in the English Perennial Garden, Michigan's Farm Garden and Volunteer Tribute Garden. Color tours, tram rides and seasonal children's activities are available.



Christmas and Holiday Traditions Around the World

November 24 – January 9, 2011

Lighting Ceremony – November 23, 2010

Experience the most magical time of year as Meijer Gardens transforms into a world of winter magic with the glow of 300,000 lights, more than 40 captivating international trees and displays, strolling carolers, horse-drawn carriage rides and more surprises than can fit under the tree. The *Gardens Holiday Express* train exhibit, a holiday favorite designed by railway garden designer Paul Busse, winds its way through three separate indoor gardens.