

MUSEUM GUIDE

# DIA goes on the road with Baroque exhibit

*Dennos Museum features 'Golden Age' collection*

TRAVERSE CITY — Detroit's loss is Traverse City's gain.

But officials at the Dennos Museum Center are betting that an exhibition of Baroque paintings on loan from the Detroit Institute of Arts will attract visitors not just from the Cherry Capital but from all over northern Michigan.

"Pursuits and Pleasures: Baroque Paintings from the Detroit Institute of Arts" is on display June 28-Sept. 14 at the Dennos, on the Northwestern Michigan College campus. The collection of 35 works from the so-called "Golden Age" of European painting is the largest loan of European Old Master paintings to travel the



Portrait of a Lady, 1740 by William Hogarth.

state from the collections of the DIA, said Eugene Jenneman, Dennos Museum Center director.

The exhibition of Dutch, Flemish, French, Italian and British paintings will give modern viewers a rare glimpse into 17th and 18th century Europe, when appreciation for the fine arts was more widespread

than it had been since classical Greece and Rome. It includes portraits, landscapes, architectural views and images of daily life by such artists as Giovanni Paolo Panini, Jacob van Ruisdael, Frans Snyders, Claude Gellée, Giovanni Tiepolo and Thomas Gainsborough.

Calling themselves the Michigan Old Masters Consortium, the Dennos and three other Michigan museums helped plan and implement the exhibition, and each will host it for up to four months. The loan was made possible by a renovation and expansion project at the Detroit art museum that forced the closing of several galleries and limited storage space.

Admission to the exhibition is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children. Support was provided by a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts, the Michigan

Humanities Council, Marshall Fields, and the Michigan Council for the Arts and Cultural Affairs, with additional local support from Fifth Third Bank.

The Dennos Museum Center is open daily from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sundays from 1-5 p.m. For more information call 995-1055 or visit [www.dennosmuseum.org](http://www.dennosmuseum.org).

## Museums in the area

**Alden Depot Park and Museum** (Alden) On shore of Torch Lake; 1908 structure features artifacts and photos of the area from mid-1800s. This year's exhibit features photography and photographic equipment; admission is free; donations accepted. Open through Aug.: Thu. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and 6 p.m.-9 p.m., Sat. and Sun. from 1 p.m.-4 p.m. 331-4274.

**Arcadia Historical Museum** Restored Victorian house features artifacts from lumber, fishing and furniture industries. Restored rooms include parlor, kitchen and bedroom. Third-floor tower overlooks Lake Michigan. Hours: 11-3 p.m. Thu.-Sat. Free, donations accepted. 22 miles north of Manistee on M-22. 889-4360.

**Bellaire Area Historical Society Museum** (Bellaire) Houses artifacts, pictures and maps of Bellaire area from 1865 to 1965; also features extensive newspaper collection from that period. Open

through Aug.: Mon.-Fri. 11 a.m.-3 p.m. or by appointment. Free, donations accepted, 202 N. Bridge St. 533-8631.

**Benzie Historical Museum** (Benzonia) Housed in a century-old church building. Features artifacts pertaining to pioneers who carved a living from a northern Michigan wilderness. Special weaving exhibit, including afternoon demonstrations, open through July 19. Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Mon.-Sat., through Aug.; \$2 adult, 50 cents for students ages 5-18. Free admission under 5 or museum members. On Traverse Avenue. 882-5539.

**Bottle House Museum** Noon-4 p.m. Sat. and Sun.; other times by appointment. Wuoksi and Kauko streets, Kaleva; 362-3793 or 362-2080.

**Boyne City Historical Museum** (Boyne City) Town memorabilia, photographs, vintage bottles and tools, among other antiquities, Open 8 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays, also noon-4 p.m. weekends. Free admission; donations accepted. Located at south end of the City Hall building, 319 N. Lake. 582-

2839 or 582-6597.

**Charlevoix Historical Society, Harsha House Museum** (Charlevoix) Harsha family history, large photo collection, research library and other Charlevoix history. 103 State St.; Open Mon.-Fri. 1 p.m.-4 p.m.; Adults \$1, children 12 and under free. 547-0373.

**Charlevoix Railroad Depot Museum** (Charlevoix) Display of maritime and resort life and historic hotels, as well as area railroad history; 305 Chicago Avenue, Depot Beach area. Open Mon. and Fri. in July and Aug. 1-4 p.m. 547-0373.

**Dennos Museum Center** (Traverse City) June 28-Sept. 7; "Calder for Kids" June 28-Oct. 20. Permanent exhibits include The Thomas A. Rutkowski Discovery Gallery and Power Family Inuit Gallery, 10-5 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 1-5 p.m. Sun.; Dennos Museum Center, NMC, 1525 E. Front St., TC; 995-1055.

**East Jordan Portside Art & Historical Museum** (East Jordan)

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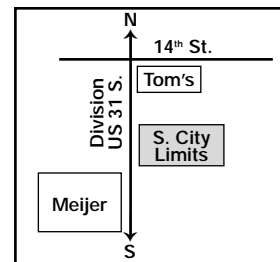
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