50 Hours Weekend

All permanent collection galleries will be open for the entire 50 Hours Celebration. *Jacques-Louis David: Empire to Exile* opens to the general public at midnight on Friday, June 3. All events are free, unless otherwise noted.

Food will be available for purchase throughout the weekend.

The museum shop will be open for the entire 50 Hours Celebration. Shop between 1:00 and 5:00 a.m. and receive 25 percent off all purchases.

Throughout the weekend every hour on the half-hour, a curator, scholar, or special guest will take ten minutes to talk about one of the “50 Favorites”— the fifty favorite works in the collection, selected by members, community, and friends. Pick up a schedule at the information desk and have it stamped for each talk you attend. Be the guest who attends the most talks and win a two-night stay at the luxurious Boston Harbor Hotel. Our second place winner will receive two tickets to a 2006 Williamstown Theatre Festival production.

Follow the Clark Treasure Trail and discover the Clark, inside and out. Pick up a map with rules and clue cards at the information desk and enter for your chance to win a ride in the hot air balloon on Sunday afternoon.

Add your greeting to the Clark’s Fiftieth Anniversary Book in the Courtyard.

Have your friend snap a picture with life-size cutouts of Sterling and Francine Clark in the Courtyard.

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**FRIDAY SCHEDULE**

Friday, June 3, 6:00 p.m.  
**Doors open with a champagne toast!**  
*Courtyard*  
Please join Clark director Michael Conforti, local dignitaries, and friends to raise a glass and kick off this exciting weekend of events.

Friday, June 3, 7:00–10:00 p.m.  
**50th Celebration Gala**  
*Front Lawn*  
Sunset cocktails and a buffet dinner will be served under the tent on the front lawn, followed by dancing at twilight to the Nelson Riddle Orchestra. Black tie optional. Tickets required.

Friday, June 3, 10:00 p.m.–1:00 a.m.  
**After-Hours Party**  
*South Lawn*  
Moonlit After-Hours Party in the New Epoch party tent with DJ. Tickets required.

Friday, June 3, Midnight  
**Jacques-Louis David: Empire to Exile opens to the public**  
*Special exhibition galleries*  
The centerpiece of the Clark’s fiftieth anniversary celebrations is this exhibition that explores the transformation of Jacques-Louis David’s art following the French Revolution. The most celebrated painter of his era, David influenced Western art for generations.

Friday, June 3, 10:00 p.m.  
**Preview of Jacques-Louis David: Empire to Exile**  
*Special exhibition galleries*  
Gala and After-Hours Party guests will be the first to see our summer exhibition, *Jacques-Louis David: Empire to Exile.*

Friday, June 3, Midnight  
**“Open Your Eyes for David” Gallery Talk**  
*Special exhibition galleries*  
Join curator of education Michael Cassin in the Courtyard for a first look at the summer exhibition *Jacques-Louis David: Empire to Exile.*
SATURDAY SCHEDULE

Saturday, June 4, 1:00–7:00 a.m.
Special Anniversary Film Festival
Auditorium

1:00 a.m.
Entrapment (1999)
A priceless Rembrandt is missing and master thief Mac’s (Sean Connery) world is turned upside-down when insurance investigator Gin’s (Catherine Zeta-Jones) trap is set.

3:00 a.m.
Topkapi (1964)
Peter Ustinov won an Academy Award for this performance as a hapless driver, clueless to the plans of his two jewel thief cohorts who plan to steal a priceless dagger from the Topkapi museum in Istanbul. Maximilian Schell and Melina Mercouri play the jet-setting thieves who choose a motley band of amateurs to throw off the authorities.

5:00 a.m.
The Train (1965)
This tense spy thriller directed by John Frankenheimer is all marvelous action that never lets up. Burt Lancaster plays a French railway inspector during the waning days of the German occupation who tries to prevent Nazi colonel Paul Scofield from transporting a precious art collection back to Germany. Sabotage and cunning deception buy time for Lancaster and his Resistance colleagues as the Allies make their approach.

Saturday, June 4, 7:00–8:30 a.m.
Sunrise Breakfast
Stone Hill
Watch the sunrise and enjoy pastries and a continental breakfast on Stone Hill beginning at 7:00 a.m. The cost is $8 for adults and $4 for children. Follow the balloons up Stone Hill.

Saturday, June 4, 8:00–9:00 a.m.
Yoga Class on Stone Hill
Meet in the Lower Pasture
Bring your mat and start the day with yoga with instructor Jacqueline Heisel, RYT, director and owner of Frog Lotus Yoga.

Saturday, June 4, 10:00 a.m.
Hosted Nature Walk: “50 Things to Know on Stone Hill”
Meet under the marquee
Hank Art of the Williamstown Rural Lands Foundation will lead a walk along the Stone Hill trails and point out fifty things you never knew about our local flora and fauna. Wear comfortable shoes.

Saturday, June 4, 11:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.
Family Festival: Art and Activities for Children
Front Lawn
There’s fun for everyone under the big tent on the front lawn. Decorate wooden boxes and mirrors, metal mobiles, and pins; create bookmarks and personalize journals—all with images from the Clark’s magnificent permanent collection. And don’t miss your chance to have your portrait sketched by a caricature artist for $5.

Saturday, June 4, 11:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m.
Jazz in the Galleries
Gallery 2
Paul Arslanian (piano), Charlie Tokarz (saxophone), and Joe Fonda (bass) will be playing in the galleries.

Saturday, June 4, 1:00–2:30 p.m.
French Wine and Cheese Tasting
Front Lawn
Join us under the big tent for a complimentary wine and cheese tasting. Nejaime’s Wine Cellars will provide six French wines and six French cheeses along with an expert to discuss their offerings. (Picture ID required upon request)

Saturday, June 4, 2:00–4:00 p.m.
Clark in the World: Discussion with Scholars Past and Present
Auditorium
What is a Clark Fellow, and what is it like to be one? Why do scholars enjoy the Clark so much? Find out as scholars past and present, with the aid of photos and anecdotes, talk with Mark Ledbury, associate director of the Research and Academic Program, about their time at the Clark and its impact on their work.

Saturday, June 4, 4:00 p.m.
Camping at the Clark (through Sunday)
Plateau
This is your opportunity to spend the night on the Clark campus. Pitch a tent, take a hike, and enjoy the concert and fireworks. Wander through the galleries in the middle of the night. Bring a picnic or purchase barbeque. Call 413 458 0661 for reservations.

Saturday, June 4, 4:00–5:00 p.m.
Director Michael Conforti Discusses the History of the Clark and the Clarks
Auditorium
Join director Michael Conforti to hear the history of the Institute and its founders.
Saturday, June 4, 4:00 p.m.
Hooding Ceremony, Graduate Program in the History of Art, Class of ’05
South Lawn
The Clark/Williams College Graduate Program in the History of Art, Class of 2005, will receive their M.A. degrees in a special ceremony.

Saturday, June 4, 5:00–6:00 p.m.
Family Hike
Meet under the marquee
Join John Bryan of the Mountain Goat for a family hike that will test your orienteering skills. Prizes will be awarded to all participating children.

Saturday, June 4, 5:30–9:00 p.m.
BBQ
Food Tent
Enjoy a summer cookout with barbeque chicken, burgers, veggie burgers, hot dogs, sides and all the fixin's. The cost is $11 for adults and $6 for children. All items available à la carte.

Saturday, June 4, 7:00–9:00 p.m.
Bluegrass Concert with Northern Lights
South Lawn
Join us for two hours of amazing bluegrass music with Northern Lights.

Saturday, June 4, 9:15 p.m.
Fireworks
Stone Hill
Beginning at around 9:15 we’ll celebrate our 50th anniversary with a bang! Join us for a spectacular fireworks display. Best viewing from Lower Pasture and South Lawn.

Saturday, June 4, 9:45 p.m.
Ghost Stories ’Round the Campfire
Plateau
Toast marshmallows and listen to ghost tales told by master storytellers, including Frank Oakley and our own Michael Conforti.

Saturday, June 4, 11:00 p.m.–Midnight
Pajama Gallery Talk
Meet in the Courtyard
Kids still awake? Wear your pajamas and let’s meet for a late-night look at our collection with Michael Cassin, curator of education.

Please note: Parking is limited. A complimentary shuttle bus from the Mount Greylock High School parking lot will be in service from 5:30 till 11:00 p.m. on Saturday evening.

Sunday Schedule

Sunday, June 5, Midnight–12:30 a.m.
“Open Your Eyes for the Permanent Collection” Gallery Talk
Meet in the Courtyard
Join Curator of Education Michael Cassin for a late-night look at the best of our permanent collection.

Sunday, June 5, 1:00–7:00 a.m.
Special Anniversary Film Festival
Auditorium

1:00 a.m.
The Thomas Crown Affair (1968)
Millionaire businessman Thomas Crown (Steve McQueen) is also a high-stakes thief; his latest caper is an elaborate heist at a Boston bank. Insurance investigator Vicky Anderson (Faye Dunaway) gets her own thrills by busting crooks, and she’s got Crown in her crosshairs.

2:45 a.m.
The Thomas Crown Affair (1999)
In this remake, Thomas Crown (Pierce Brosnan) is a man of industry who likes to indulge in a little art theft on the side; Catherine Banning (Rene Russo) is the insurance investigator determined to get on his tail—in more ways than one. This cat-and-mouse game is more like cat versus smarter cat, as both the thief and the investigator try to outwit each other and nothing is off-limits.

4:45 a.m.
How to Steal a Million (1966)
Audrey Hepburn and Peter O’Toole star in this delightful romantic caper. She’s the chic daughter of a renowned art collector and underground forger whose best work is inadvertently displayed in a Paris museum. Hepburn plots to steal the statue in an attempt to save her father’s reputation and enlists the help of O’Toole, an amateur thief and covert inspector. Of course, neither of them knows the whole truth about the other.

Sunday, June 5, 6:00–7:00 a.m.
Birding Hike on Stone Hill
Meet under the marquee
Leslie Reed-Evans, executive director of the Williamstown Rural Lands Foundation, will lead a hike up Stone Hill and point out the many beautiful birds that make the hill their home.
Sunday, June 5, 7:00–8:30 a.m.
**Sunrise Breakfast**
*Stone Hill*
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Sunday, June 5, 8:00–9:00 a.m.
**Yoga Class on Stone Hill**
*Meet in the Lower Pasture*
Bring your mat and start the day with yoga with instructor Cellana of Frog Lotus Yoga.

Sunday, June 5, 7:00–11:00 a.m.
**Kids’ Films**
*Auditorium*
7:00 a.m.
*Muppets Take Manhattan* (1984)
The Muppets team up with a host of 80’s celebrities to star in this ode to the great white way. Kermit and his friends, as new college grads, go to New York to get their musical on Broadway only to find it’s a more difficult task than they anticipated.

8:45 a.m.
*From the Mixed Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler* (1995)
E. L. Konigsberg’s Newberry Award-winning children’s book is brought vividly to life in this tale of two kids who run away from home and discover adventure in the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Sunday, June 5, 9:00–10:00 a.m.
**Clark Fun Run**
*Meet at the lily pond on the Clark Campus beginning at 8:00 a.m. for registration and race at 9:00 a.m. in this 5K run. (Kids age 12 and under will run a 1–mile loop.) There are prizes for men and women in each of three age categories: 50 and over, 49 and under, 12 and under. All participants will receive a Clark water bottle.*

Sunday, June 5, 11:00 a.m.
**Brunch and Life-Size Chess Game**
*Front Lawn*
Come for a leisurely brunch and watch a chess match played with life-size pieces. Want to play? Call 413-458-0661. Cost for brunch is $9, with alcoholic drinks available for separate purchase.

Sunday, June 5, 11:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.
**Chamber Music in the Galleries**
*Gallery 2*
Robert Phelps (classical guitar) and Glaine Saloio (flute) will be playing throughout the afternoon.

Sunday, June 5, 2:00 p.m.
**Opening Lecture and Booksigning for Jacques-Louis David: Empire to Exile**
*Auditorium*
Philippe Bordes, guest curator and author of the Empire to Exile exhibition catalogue, will speak about Jaques-Louis David. Following the lecture, Philippe will be available to sign copies of his book.

Sunday, June 5, 4:00–6:00 p.m.
**Community Anniversary Party**
*Lower Pasture*
The whole community is invited for cake, lemonade, and some Dixieland jazz by the Steve Murray Group to kick off the summer and celebrate our fiftieth. Names will be drawn from the Treasure Trail entries for twenty lucky families to take a ride in the hot air balloon.

Sunday, June 5, 6:30 p.m.
**Concert and Countdown to End of 50 Hours**
*Auditorium*
Berkshire Music School Student String Ensemble will perform under the direction of faculty member Bang Liu.