

# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT



Fiona Casey admires Edouard Vysekal painting titled 'Joy' now on exhibit at the Fitchburg Art Museum until June 7.

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## All things are bright and beautiful at art museum

FITCHBURG - The Fitchburg Art Museum is excited to present the only showing in Massachusetts of All Things Bright & Beautiful: California Impressionist Paintings from the Irvine Museum. This stunning exhibition of 58 paintings, most of them completed out-of-doors, are by artists who lived and worked in California during the late 19th and early 20th centuries. The exhibition runs until June 7. For more information, call (978) 345-4207 or visit [www.fitchburgartmuseum.org](http://www.fitchburgartmuseum.org).

## FITCHBURG ART MUSEUM PRESENTS 'SNAPSHOTS CELEBRATING LIFE'

The Fitchburg Art Museum is pleased to announce a Call for Entries for its September 2009 exhibition - "Point Click Shoot - Snapshots Celebrating Life".

Everyone has snapshots whether they are of family and friends, holidays and celebrations, vacations, tableau, hamming before the camera, pets or vanished landmarks. Besides current snapshots, the Museum is seeking snapshots dating back to the early 1900s to provide a visual overview of the changing social and physical landscape in New England.

"We are asking the public to dig deep to find unique snapshots, particularly those taken in the 1920s, 1930s, 1940s, 1950s and onwards. These may include snaps of parades, football games (Fitchburg vs. Leominster), bicycle races, automobiles and beach pictures," says Stephen Jareckie, exhibition curator and the museum's photography advisor.

You may have family pictures and albums that parents, grandparents, and great-grandparents have passed down. Such pictures reveal the vibrant character of New England life and would make ideal submissions. Please call (978) 345 4207 or visit [www.fitchburgartmuseum.org](http://www.fitchburgartmuseum.org) for further information. The Museum is wheelchair accessible and is located at 25 Merriam Parkway.

## CENTERSTAGE PRESENTS A ONE-WOMAN SHOW

FITCHBURG - CenterStage at Fitchburg State College presents Antoinette LaVecchia's one-woman show "In Spite of Myself (or How to be a Good Italian Daughter)" at 7 p.m. Friday, May 1, in Percival Auditorium, 254 Highland Ave. Enjoy a dessert reception with LaVecchia after the performance (audience members are invited to bring dessert to share).

"In Spite of Myself" is written and performed by LaVecchia, and examines the hysterical and universal struggles between an immigrant Italian mother and her Americanized daughter. Their dialogue is interrupted by colorful Italian-American characters who support and enlighten the universal mother/daughter relationship. The show is sponsored by the Center for Italian Culture.

Tickets are \$18, \$15 for FSC faculty, staff and seniors; and \$5 for students. Tickets are available at the college's box office or by mail order. For information, call (978) 665-3347 or (978) 665-3709 or visit [www.fsc.edu/cultural](http://www.fsc.edu/cultural).

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