



# DIVINE FELINES *Cats of Ancient Egypt*

## PROGRAM GUIDE

*In ancient times cats were worshipped as gods; they have not forgotten this.*

—Sir Terry Pratchett, fantasy author

From domesticated cats to mythic symbols of divinities, felines played an important role in ancient Egypt for thousands of years. *Divine Felines: Cats of Ancient Egypt* features cats and lions in ancient Egyptian mythology, kingship, and everyday life through diverse representations from the world-famous holdings of the Brooklyn Museum.



### OCTOBER

#### Gallery Talk: *Divine Felines: Cats of Ancient Egypt*

Wednesday, October 12, 12:15 p.m.

Included in special exhibition ticket, FREE for DMA Members

Enjoy a first look at the new exhibition *Divine Felines: Cats of Ancient Egypt* with **Dr. Anne Bromberg**, The Cecil and Ida Green Curator of Ancient and Asian Art.

#### Teen Tour: *Ancient Egypt*

Thursday, October 20, 6:30–8:00 p.m.

FREE

Explore the history of art on a tour just for teens! Join us as we uncover the story of the DMA's collection through discussion in the galleries and art making in the Tech Lab. No prior art history knowledge required—we'll get you up to speed! For teens ages 13–19.

#### Member Talk: *Divine Felines: Cats of Ancient Egypt*

Tuesday, October 18, 6:30 p.m.

FREE for DMA Members

DMA Members are invited to join **Dr. Anne Bromberg**, The Cecil and Ida Green Curator of Ancient and Asian Art, for an exclusive DMA Members-only talk on *Divine Felines: Cats of Ancient Egypt*. Come early to have a bite in the DMA Cafe and shop in the DMA Store.

#### Late Night at the Dallas Museum of Art

Friday, October 21, 6:00 p.m.–midnight

\$15 public, \$10 students, FREE for DMA Members

Celebrate our newest exhibition, *Divine Felines: Cats of Ancient Egypt*, with a purrr-fect evening exploring life in ancient Egypt, cat deities, and the practice of mummification.

#### Late Night Talk: *Divine Felines: Cats of Ancient Egypt*

Friday, October 21, 7:00 p.m.

Included in Late Night ticket, FREE for DMA Members

Learn more about *Divine Felines: Cats of Ancient Egypt* with **Dr. Yekaterina Barbash**, Associate Curator of Egyptian Art at the Brooklyn Museum. The exhibition features more than eighty objects from the Brooklyn Museum and the DMA's permanent collection and explores themes of mythology, kingship, and everyday life in ancient Egypt through representations of felines.

#### Late Night Talk: *Cleopatra's Needles: The Lost Obelisks of Egypt*

Friday, October 21, 9:00 p.m.

Included in Late Night ticket, FREE for DMA Members

Renowned Egyptologist **Dr. Bob Brier** will speak about his compelling new book that tells the story of three massive obelisks leaving Egypt for London, Paris, and New York in the late 19th century. A book signing will follow the talk.

*Presented by the Boshell Family Lecture Series on Archaeology*

## OCTOBER continued

### Boshell Lecture: *Mummies Unwrapped*

Saturday, October 29, 2:00 p.m.

\$5

DMA curators **Dr. Anne Bromberg** and **Dr. Kimberly Jones** will discuss traditions of mummification in ancient Egypt, the Andes, and China.

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## NOVEMBER

### First Tuesday: *Cool Cats*

Tuesday, November 1, 11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

FREE

Enjoy a fun-filled family day just for children ages 5 and under with art projects, tours, story time, and gallery activities inspired by the *Divine Felines* exhibition.

### Arturo's Art & Me: *Purfect Pals*

Wednesday, November 9, 11:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m., or

Thursday, November 10, 11:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m., or

Saturday, November 12, 11:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

\$8 public, \$5 DMA Members

For 3–5 year olds and a favorite grown-up! Explore works of art in the *Divine Felines* exhibition, and then create a meow-sterpiece in the Art Studio.

### Family Workshop: *The Cat's Meow*

Saturday, November 12, 1:00–2:30 p.m.

\$8 public, \$5 DMA Members

For children ages 6–12 and their caregivers. Explore the *Divine Felines* exhibition, engage in artful conversations, and try hands-on games as a family before creating a work of art in the studio.

### Boshell Lecture: *Indiana Jones in Space*

Monday, November 14, 7:30 p.m.

\$10 public, FREE for DMA Members

2016 Ted Prize Winner and space archaeologist **Sarah Parcak** will discuss her pioneering work using satellites to discover countless archaeological sites around the world and describe her Global Xplorer project, which will enable citizen-scientists to join in the hunt. Join us for a pre-lecture reception at 6:30 p.m.

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### Meaningful Moments: *Exploring Cats in Ancient Egypt*

Tuesday, November 15, 10:00–11:30 a.m.

FREE with reservations. To register, call 214-922-1324 or e-mail [access@DMA.org](mailto:access@DMA.org).

In this program designed for individuals with dementia and their family members or caregivers, participants will have the chance to talk about works of art in the *Divine Felines* exhibition and experience a related art-making activity.

### Gallery Talk: *Divine Felines: Cats of Ancient Egypt*

Wednesday, November 16, 12:15 p.m.

Included in special exhibition ticket, FREE for DMA Members

Storyteller **Ann Marie Newman** will share her take on ancient Egyptian myths.

### Homeschool Class for Families: *The Cat's Meow*

Thursday, November 17, 11:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m., or

Friday, November 18, 11:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

\$8 public, \$5 DMA Members

Enjoy an interactive museum experience just for homeschooling families. Search the *Divine Felines* exhibition for your favorite furry friends, and then create a work of art in the studio. For children ages 6–12.

### Teen Homeschool Workshop: *Iconic Animals*

Friday, November 18, 11:00–12:30 p.m.

\$8 public, \$5 DMA Members

The animal-human hybrids that make up the ancient Egyptian pantheon stand apart from other cultures. Explore the different depictions of animals in *Divine Felines: Cats of Ancient Egypt*, and then commemorate your favorite animal in a sculpture carved from wax. For teens ages 13–19.

## DECEMBER

### Toddler Art: *Crazy Cats*

Friday, December 2, 11:00 a.m.–noon, or

Friday, December 9, 11:00 a.m.–noon, or

Tuesday, December 13, 11:00 a.m.–noon

\$8 public, \$5 DMA Members

Here kitty, kitty! Help us find the cats hiding in the *Divine Felines* exhibition, and then play with new friends in Arturo's Nest in this class designed especially for 2–3 year olds and a favorite grown-up.

### Gallery Talk: *Divine Felines: Cats of Ancient Egypt*

Wednesday, December 14, 12:15 p.m.

Included in special exhibition ticket, FREE for DMA Members

Richland College Professor of Humanities **Aditi Samarth** will discuss the belief systems of the ancient Egyptians and how they are represented in works of art.

## ONGOING

### *Divine Felines* Creative Connections

After you've perused the works of art in *Divine Felines*, step into the Creative Connections space located at the back of the exhibition. Learn about the beliefs and rituals that informed the lives and afterlives of ancient Egyptians. Listen to an Egyptian myth, explore fragrances associated with ancient Egyptian rituals, and learn about mummification.

### DMA Cat-itude

In conjunction with the upcoming special exhibition *Divine Felines*, the Center for Creative Connections (C3) at the Dallas Museum of Art is highlighting cats across our collection as well as cat photographs and silent videos submitted by visitors to the Museum. To have your photos and videos displayed on the wall of monitors in C3, join our Flickr Group DMA Cat-itude and upload your fun feline photos and videos.

Submissions will be accepted August–November 2016, and images and videos will be on view October–December 2016.

## DALLAS MUSEUM OF ART

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IMAGE: Striding Sphinx Finial (detail), Egypt, Third Intermediate Period, Dynasty 22–Dynasty 24, c. 945–712 B.C.E., bronze, Brooklyn Museum, Charles Edwin Wilbour Fund, 61.20; Standing Lion-Headed Goddess (detail), Egypt, Late Period or later, 664–30 B.C.E., faience, Brooklyn Museum, Charles Edwin Wilbour Fund, 37.943E; Sculptor's Model of a Walking Lion (detail), Egypt, Late Period–Ptolemaic Period, c. 664–30 B.C.E., limestone, Brooklyn Museum, Charles Edwin Wilbour Fund, 33.190; Amulet of a Striding Lion-Headed Goddess, Egypt, Third Intermediate Period or later, 1075–30 B.C.E., faience, Brooklyn Museum, Charles Edwin Wilbour Fund, 37.930E

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