

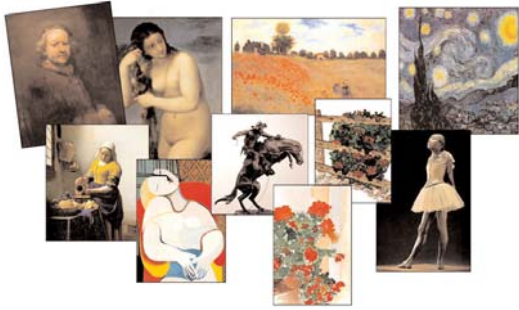
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Controversy over

National Museum in Iraq

The state minister for tourism and antiquities announced that the museum in Baghdad would reopen within the week. Invitations were sent out. The deputy of the Culture Ministry said that higher level approval had not been requested and that the announcement was premature. He claimed too much of the collection was unregistered and would not be safe. The good news is that some of the staggering workload for the staff was processing the many items being returned after the 2003 looting of the museum.

(www.nytimes.com/2009/02/16/world/middleeast/16baghdad.html?ref=middleeast)



University Plans Liquidation Sale

A firestorm of controversy has resulted from the announcement that Brandeis University (Waltham, MA) intends to raise funds by closing its Rose Art Museum (above) and selling the art collection, which includes works by such artists as Roy Lichtenstein, Jasper Johns, Henri Matisse and Andy Warhol.



Photo: Museum archive

Exhibit at Portrait Gallery of Canada

Family Portraits: immigration and identity" will be showing at the Portrait Gallery of Canada (Ottawa, ONT). The exhibit runs through April 30 and is free of charge. www.portraits.gc.ca/009001-5044-e.html

Paley Commissioned for Iowa Public Sculpture

Modern sculptor Albert Paley (Rochester, NY) has been selected to

create four large abstract metal sculptures to be placed at the 24th Street Bridge over I-80 in Council Bluffs. The project is funded by the Iowa West Foundation and will cost \$1.7 Million. See drawing below. www.albertpaley.com

Brammer to Paint Live

Chicago artists Jason Brammer will be giving a live demonstration of his photo realistic air brush painting at the Eyeporium Gallery this Friday Feb. 20, 7-10 p.m. In addition, his solo show will feature brand new pieces from Jason's "Time Machines" series, original paintings from his "Remembering The Future" collection, and new works on paper. The show will include many new pieces not yet shown on the website. He will also be unveiling his original site-specific installation titled "Eye of The Future", which will be a permanent fixture at Eye Want and the Eyeporium Gallery. www.jasonbrammer.com

