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ART LEAGUE OFFERS BUS TRIP TO
BALTIMORE MUSEUM OF ART ON APRIL 15

OCEAN CITY, MD — *February 6, 2020* – The Art League of Ocean City is sponsoring a bus trip to the Baltimore Museum of Art (BMA) on Wednesday, April 15, and the public is invited to join the excursion.

The bus will depart the Lowe's parking lot on Route 1 in Lewes at 7:15 a.m. and make another pickup at the Ocean City Center for the Arts, 94th St., Ocean City bayside, at 8 a.m. The bus will arrive back on the Eastern Shore at approximately 7 p.m.

The cost of the trip is \$65 per person and includes the bus, entrance to the museum, plus water and snacks. The bus will be a 56 seater with a restroom on board. Space is limited, and early reservations are recommended. Tickets are available at the Arts Center, by calling 410-524-9433, or online at artleagueofoceancity.org/event/bus-trip-to-baltimore-museum-of-art/.

Lunch is available at Gertrude's, the museum's café, named after Baltimore native Gertrude Stein, an early supporter of Picasso and Matisse in Paris who helped the Cone sisters amass their art collection, now part of the BMA's permanent collection. Lauded by *Food & Wine*, *Travel & Leisure*, the *Washington Post*, *Edible DC*, *The Baltimore Sun*, and a multi-year winner of Baltimore Magazine's "Best of Baltimore," Gertrude's serves locally-sourced farm-fresh food that preserves Chesapeake culinary traditions. The main dining room

overlooks a sculpture garden featuring works by Alexander Calder, Isamu Noguchi, and Auguste Rodin.

As part of its 2020 Vision initiative, the BMA is dedicating a year of exhibitions and acquisitions to female-identifying artists, marking the 100th anniversary of women's right to vote in the United States. The goal of this initiative is to address issues of race and gender diversity gaps in the museum field. Several galleries will host new shows by international and American artists including Georgia O'Keeffe, Michalene Thomas, Candice Breitz of South Africa, and Katharina Grosse of Germany.

BMA is home to a renowned collection of American, African, Asian and European art including the world's largest holding of works by French Impressionist artist, Henri Matisse, part of the Cone Collection.

The Art League of Ocean City is a non-profit organization dedicated to bringing the visual arts to the community through education, exhibits, scholarship, programs and community art projects.

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EDITORS: Image of Gertrude's Cafe at Baltimore Museum of Art attached.

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