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PRESS RELEASE

ART MUSEUM ARTS HALL CLOSED TEMPORARILY FOR REPAIRS

The Nelson Mandela Metropolitan Art Museum will have to close the Arts Hall building to make extensive repairs to the electrical system. We will continue to host our exhibitions in the Main Hall and Lorimer Hall.

Our visual art workshops and Saturday morning art classes will continue as per normal. Information on our education programs is available on our website and Facebook page or you may WhatsApp the number 079 490 0690.

While we resolve our building maintenance, we continue to keep the collection of over 8000 art objects assessable and safe. If you would like to view our collection you may visit our webpage www.artmuseum.co.za and click on "search the collection".

We have two exhibitions on display currently that both challenges, in different ways, how we view the world around us. In the exhibition *Unpopular Opinion*, artworks delve into difficult histories, share and challenge stereotypes about art and us, and express new and creative ways to understand the world around us. The exhibition *Still...life* invites you to view still lives and landscape paintings. At the centre of the exhibition, we have set up an ironic still life titled "*Fast...Life*". This central display reflects on the massive impact that technology has had on our lives. So, while surrounded by beautiful images of nature you can draw our *Fast Life* still life and think about a commodity that is rapidly dwindling in our lives, the space and time for slow contemplation and creativity. All artworks on display are from the Museum's permanent collection.

We encourage you to come and visit us, we will continue to offer free tours of our current exhibitions. We are happy to conduct small intimate tours for two or three people, as well as for large groups. Please book in advance for the best experience.

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