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Alden B. Dow Museum of Science and Art presents:

- What:** Governor's Residence Artists Program
When: August, 2008 through July, 2009
Where: Governor's Residence, ADDRESS Lansing, Michigan
Information: Call (989) 631-5930 ext 1404

MIDLAND - The Alden B. Dow Museum of Science and Art recently worked in conjunction with the Governor's Residence Artists Program to assist Michigan Governor Jennifer Granholm in assembling a body of artwork to embellish the Governor's Residence. Invited Michigan artists interested in loaning their original artwork participated in the three-phase jury process in May, 2008. The Granholm family made their final selection of works in July and those works were installed in the Governor's Residence where they will be on display through July, 2009.

An opening reception attended by participating artists was held on November 10, 2008. This annual project has been ongoing, with the project coordinated in other years by institutions such as the Dennon Museum Center of Northwestern Michigan University, the Detroit Artists Market and others. This year's exhibition features 28 artists represented by 54 works. Artists honored with selection for the Governor's Residence Artists Program were Ruth Howell of **Saginaw**, and the following **Midland** residents: Valerie Allen, Larry Butcher, Thomas Canale, , Linda Menger, Armin Mersmann, Steve Parkhurst, Jan Zender Romick, Renee Ruggles, B.B. Winslow and Rebecca Zeiss.

The Alden B. Dow Museum of Science and Art (ABDM) celebrates discovery, creativity and individual expression through art, science and the interplay between them. Exhibitions in the Museum, classes at the Museum School, multiple outreach programs, a permanent collection and various special events are all components in the ABDM programming.

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