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Alden B. Dow Museum of Science and Art presents:

What: Great Lakes Pastel Society 2010 National Show

When: May 8 – August 1, 2010

Where: Galleries, Alden B. Dow Museum of Science and Art, Midland Center for the Arts, 1801 W. St. Andrews Rd., Midland, MI 48640

Cost: \$8 adults; \$5 children; FREE to Museum members

Information: Call Ticket Office at (989) 631-8250 or (800) 523-7649 or www.mcfta.org

Find this on the Web: http://www.mcfta.org/A_ABDOw/index.html#pastel

MIDLAND – The Alden B. Dow Museum of Science and Art hosts the **Great Lakes Pastel Society 2010 national Show**, May 8 – August 1, 2010. The Galleries of Midland Center for the Arts, 1801 W. St. Andrews Rd., will display works from this national competition, open to all artists in United States and Canada. This year's Juror is Richard McKinley, member of Pastel Society of America and Distinguished Pastelist, Pastel Society of the West Coast since 1998. A total of \$3,000 cash prizes and merchandise will be awarded. Admission is \$8 for adults, \$5 for children and free for ABDM members.

Pastels can be traced back to the 16th century. A galaxy of famous artists – Delacroix, Manet, Renoir, Toulouse-Lautrec, Whistler, Cassatt, just to name a few – used pastel in finished works. This exhibition is coordinated and juried by Great Lakes Pastel Society: www.glps.org

Opening Reception: Friday, June 11, 2010, from 7 to 9 pm. FREE and open to the public.

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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