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**GALLERY TALK AND RECEPTION FEATURES WINNERS OF
2014 CRITICAL MASS FOR THE VISUAL ARTS CREATIVE STIMULUS AWARDS**

- Event:** Critical Mass for the Visual Arts: Gallery Talk & Reception
- When:** Tuesday, June 16, 6-8 p.m.
Gallery Talk and Award Presentation at 6 p.m.; Reception immediately follows talk.
- Where:** Nancy Spirtas Kranzberg Gallery
- Tickets:** **Admission free, but reservations required.** Call Susan Sheppard at 314-533-9900 x 37 or email ssheppard@TheSheldon.org to reserve your seat.

ST. LOUIS, MO – The Sheldon Art Galleries presents a free gallery talk and reception in conjunction with the exhibit, *The 2014 Critical Mass for the Visual Arts Creative Stimulus Award Exhibition: Tate Foley, David Johnson and Mel Watkin* (through August 1, 2015) at the Sheldon Art Galleries. Tate Foley, David Johnson and Mel Watkin will discuss their work, and the 2015 Creative Stimulus Award winners will be announced. Reception immediately follows the talk. Free and open to the public but reservations required. Call Susan Sheppard at 314-533-9900 x 37 or email ssheppard@TheSheldon.org to reserve your seat.

Since 2008, the not-for-profit group Critical Mass for the Visual Arts has awarded artists and artist collaborations with funding, and an opportunity to exhibit their work through the Creative Stimulus Award Program. The award encourages artists to use the funds to pursue special projects, experiment with new techniques, or to gain better insight into their own working processes. Each spring, a new group of award winners is selected by a jury panel that is comprised of local artists and arts administrators, as well as former Creative Stimulus Award winners. This year, the Sheldon Art Galleries is pleased to partner with Critical Mass for the Visual Arts to present the 2014 Creative Stimulus Award Exhibition featuring Tate Foley, David Johnson and Mel Watkin. For more information, call The Sheldon during normal business hours, Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. at 314-533-9900 or visit www.TheSheldon.org.

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