

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

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MWRD to staff booth at 38th DuSable Museum Arts & Crafts Festival

Who: DuSable Museum of African American History and the Metropolitan Water

Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD)

What: DuSable Museum Arts & Crafts Festival

When: 1 p.m. to 8 p.m., Saturday, July 14 and Sunday, July 15, 2012

Where: 740 East 56th Place, Chicago

The DuSable Museum of African American History will host its 38th annual arts and crafts festival on Saturday and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. Admission is free and visitors will enjoy fine arts and crafts, food, entertainment, a marketplace and a children's pavilion.

The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD) is participating in the festival for the first time and will donate two rain barrels. Stop by the MWRD booth to see one of the rain barrels or pick up some coloring books for the kids. Children and adults will have access to information about the MWRD's history and current wastewater treatment operations, guides to proper disposal of pharmaceuticals and pet waste as well as general information about the MWRD's efforts to protect the environment and the region's water resources.

The first DuSable Museum art festival was held in 1974 with eight artists and it has since grown to showcase the work of nearly 200 artists and craftspeople. The DuSable Museum describes the event as an "…exhibition of fine art and unique and hand-crafted work which features artists working in traditional, ethnic and experimental fine arts and crafts that relate to African-American themes, identity, history and culture…"

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