



Metropolitan Water Reclamation District *of* Greater Chicago

# Media Advisory

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## MWRD to staff booth at 39th annual DuSable Museum Arts & Crafts Festival

**Who:** DuSable Museum 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 13 and Sunday, July 14, 2013

**Where:** 740 East 56th Place, Chicago

The DuSable Museum of African American History will host its 39th 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 have a drawing for a complimentary rain barrel; participants must complete a short water environment pledge for a chance to win.

Staff from the MWRD will have information for adults, including 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. Coloring books will be available for children.

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..."

For more information about the festival, visit [www.dusablemuseum.org](http://www.dusablemuseum.org).

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