

## **Irony Overload: Clock Stops For Opening Art Exhibit Called 'Drip Drop, Tick Tock' — After Sprinklers Activated**

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The name of the 'Drip-Drop, Tick-Tock' exhibit at Housatonic Museum of Art in Bridgeport went beyond irony and well into eerie coincidence when sprinklers were activated and, you might say, the "clock stopped" on the exhibit opening, which will be postponed for two years.

At this rate, it's probably fortunate that "Boom Boom" wasn't part of the exhibit's name.

The exhibit is expected to reopen, but not for another two years — on Sept. 3, 2020. (No artwork was damaged in the event that sparked production of this article.)

*Here's the announcement about the closing, opening and opening reception:*

The opening of the “Drip-Drop, Tick-Tock” exhibit by Joseph Fucigna at Housatonic Museum of Art has been postponed.

The museum’s Burt Chernow Gallery is located on the campus of Housatonic Community College, and its walls and floors suffered water damage overnight when the sprinkler system activated in response to an overheated computer in a lab on the floor above.

Fortunately, the museum’s collection did not experience any damage. However, the museum will be temporarily closed for maintenance starting Aug. 23.

The Museum will continue to move forward with the planned opening of the reinstallation of its permanent collection. The “Object Lessons” exhibition will have ten thematic displays, including African art, Native American and Latin American art, art that is political, and a new photography installation, to name a few.

An opening reception will be held on Thursday, Sept. 13, 2018 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in the Housatonic Community College Lafayette Hall atrium, located next to the museum’s galleries.

The Fucigna exhibit has been rescheduled to take place in two years, from Sept. 3 through Oct. 23, 2020, with an opening reception on Sept. 3. A planned exhibit “Lost Man Blues” will also be postponed to now open on Nov. 5, 2020, and remain on display through Dec. 18, 2020.

The Housatonic Museum of Art (HMA) is located at 900 Lafayette Blvd. in Bridgeport and is home to one of the premier college art collections in the United States. Its collection offers students and the community the opportunity to view works that span the history of art from the ancient to the