

Welcome to the Des Moines Art Center. We are pleased to present *GRAVITY AND GRACE Monumental Works by El Anatsui*

October 25, 2013 – February 9, 2014 Anna K. Meredith Gallery / I. M. Pei building Richard Meier building

The celebrated work of El Anatsui strikes a rare combination of stunning beauty, fascinating communal process, and deep metaphorical and poetic meaning. A global artist, Anatsui draws on artistic and aesthetic traditions from his birth country of Ghana, his home in Nigeria, and various Western art forms. Anatsui's work is about transformation. Using found materials such as printing plates, condensed milk tins, and aluminum liquor bottle caps allows the artist full freedom to improvise and invent.

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El Anatsui, *Gli (Wall)* (detail), 2010 Aluminum and copper wire, dimensions variable Installation at the Akron Art Museum Courtesy of the artist and Jack Shainman Gallery, NY

CAIRNS OF COMFORT

ALL SOUPS SERVED WITH FRESH BAKED BREAD

Soup du Jour cup \$4 bowl \$6 Organic Chicken Noodle Soup cup \$4 bowl \$6

FROM THE GARDEN

ADD A CUP OF SOUP + \$3

Heirloom Tomato Salad \$10 VV GF Red onion, fresh basil, balsamic vinaigrette

Artisan Lettuce Salad \$11 La Quercia Prosciutto Americana, walnuts, croutons, blue cheese dressing

Red Beet Salad \$9 V GF Goat cheese, honey, fresh greens, raspberry vinaigrette

HANDS ON

ALL SANDWICHES COME WITH CHOICE OF CUP OF SOUP OR SIDE SALAD

Toasted Cheese and Fig \$10 V Aged cheddar cheese, fig jam, country white bread

Pulled Pork Wrap \$10 Teriyaki-sesame sauce, cilantro, lime, tortilla

La Quercia Melt \$12 La Quercia Prosciutto Americana, brie, sweet mustard, toasted country white bread

MAJOR EXHIBITION

ADD A CUP OF SOUP OR SIDE SALAD +\$3

Salmon Risotto \$13 Fresh greens, lemon, parmesan

Pasta Marinara \$10 VV Penne pasta, tomatoes, fresh basil

Confit Duck Leg \$16 GF Creamed potatoes, port jus, berry compote

Chef's Casserole \$14 GF Sautéed filet mignon, mushrooms, onions, potatoes, smoked bacon, fried egg

GOURMET PLATES

Three Cheese Plate \$12 V Selection of cheeses, bread, accoutrements

Smoked Salmon Platter \$11 Capers, lemon, aioli

Petit Charcuterie \$14 Two cured meats, paté, pickles, mustard

DESSERT

Daily Selection \$6

BEVERAGES

Perrier / Evian \$3 Iced Tea / Coke / Diet Coke / Sprite / Ginger Ale \$2.50 Grounds for Celebration French Press Coffee \$4 San Pellegrino Limonata / Orange \$3 Dry Soda \$3 Wine / Beer / Cocktails

Thank you for not taking your food or beverages into the museum.

RESTAURANT HOURS

Tuesday / Wednesday / Friday / Saturday / Sunday Full Menu / 11 am (Noon Sunday) – 2 pm Gourmet Plates / served until 3 pm

Thursday Full Menu and Gourmet Plates / 11 am – 7 pm Special Prix Fixe Dinner Menu / 5 – 7 pm

V Vegetarian / VV Vegan / GF Gluten Free

CONSUMER ADVISORY Thoroughly cooking foods of animal origin such as beef, lamb, pork, poultry, fish, or shellfish reduces the risk of food borne illness. Individuals with certain health conditions may be at higher risk if these foods are consumed raw or undercooked. Consult your physician or public health official for further information.