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(Brockton, Mass.) Fuller Craft Museum, New England's home for contemporary craft  
Museum Hours: Tuesday – Sunday 10:00 am – 5:00 pm, Thursday 5:00 – 9:00 pm

FULLER CRAFT MUSEUM PRESENTS

*Janet Echelman Talks about her latest sculpture above the Rose Kennedy Greenway "As If It Were Already Here"*

High res images are available here: <http://fullercraft.org/press/janet-echelman-speaks-at-fuller-craft-museum/>

Sunday, June 7, 2015 at 7:00 pm

Preceded at 6:00 pm by a talk by Laura Jacinski Project Design Manager, Rose Kennedy Greenway

\$25 at the door for the lecture and reception

\$10 with a Craft in Bloom ticket

Seating limited. Purchase your ticket today online at [www.fullercraft.org](http://www.fullercraft.org) or call 508.588.6000.

Tickets for the Craft in Bloom exhibition are now on sale as well \$15 before June 5. \$20 at the door

Celebrated artist Janet Echelman will give the keynote speech at Fuller Craft Museum on June 7, 2015 at 7:00 pm followed by a reception as the culmination of the Museum's, Craft in Bloom weekend celebration. Echelman is the artist behind the public art masterpiece "As If It Were Already Here" revealed at the Rose Kennedy Greenway now on view through October.

- 6:00 pm Laura Jacinski, Project Design Manager for the Rose Kennedy Greenway speaks
- 7:00 pm Janet Echelman keynote speaker and reception

### **Craft in Bloom at Fuller Craft Museum, June 5 – 7, 2015**

Life imitates art in Craft in Bloom. Organized in collaboration with the Brockton Garden Club, floral designers and florists from all over the South Shore come together to interpret more than 25 pieces of art work from our permanent collection in flowers. Admission to the Museum that entire weekend for all exhibitions including Craft in Bloom will be \$15 before June 5 and \$20 at the door from June 5 through June 7. Members free. For the entire Craft In Bloom weekend enjoy:

- Food by Dillon's in artKitchen Cafe and
- Guided Conversations in the gallery with Museum docents and flower club members
- Friday, June 5, 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm Shirley from POSH Flowers and Gifts will host a workshop on arrangement techniques followed by a raffle of beautiful arrangements
- Sunday, June 7
  - 2:00 pm Christian Young of Feur-tatious Floral Design will be doing a demonstration a large scale demonstration
  - 6:00 pm Laura Jacinski, Project Design Manager for the Rose Kennedy Greenway speaks
  - 7:00 pm Janet Echelman keynote speaker & reception

### **About Janet Echelman**

Janet Echelman builds soft, billowing sculpture at the scale of buildings that respond to the forces of nature — wind, water, and light. She combines ancient craft with cutting-edge technology to create

ultra-lightweight sculptures that move gently with the wind in ever-changing patterns. Her art becomes an inviting focal point for civic life and shifts from being an object you look at, to something you can get lost in.

Recent prominent works include: “As If It Were Already Here,” a monumental sculpture suspended over Boston’s Greenway; “Impatient Optimist,” a new ionic piece for the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation campus in Seattle giving visual form to their mission; “Skies Painted with Unnumbered Sparks,” a 745-ft sculpture that premiered at the 2014 TED Conference; and “Water Sky Garden,” a commission for the 2010 Vancouver Winter Olympics.

Recipient of the Guggenheim Fellowship, Echelman was named a 2012 Architectural Digest Innovator for “changing the very essence of urban spaces.” Her TED talk “Taking Imagination Seriously” has been translated into 34 languages with more than a million views. She received the 2014 Smithsonian American Ingenuity Award in Visual Arts, honoring “the greatest innovators in America today.”

### **About the Sculpture**

A monumental, aerial sculpture is suspended over Boston’s Rose Kennedy Greenway from May through October 2015 as the signature contemporary art installation in the Greenway Conservancy’s Public Art Program. The sculpture for Boston spans the void where an elevated highway once split downtown from its waterfront. Knitting together the urban fabric, it soars 600 feet through the air above street traffic and pedestrian park. The form of “As If It Were Already Here” echoes the history of its location. The three voids recall the “Tri-Mountain” which was razed in the 18th-century to create land from the harbor. The colored banding is a nod to the six traffic lanes that once overwhelmed the neighborhood, before the Big Dig buried them and enabled the space to be reclaimed for urban pedestrian life.

### **Current Exhibitions**

*Continuum of Innovation: Haystack Clay Selects*  
February 27, 2015 – August 23, 2015

*The State of Clay: Pushing Boundaries*  
March 7, 2015 – May 24, 2015

*Legacy of Fire: Clay Dragon Studios Revisited*  
January 31, 2015 – April 26, 2015

*Crafting a Collection: Fuller Craft Museum Recent Acquisitions*  
December 7, 2014 – July 12, 2015

*Mark Davis: Icarus* Ongoing

*Traditions and Innovations: Fuller Craft Museum Collects*  
Ongoing, rotating selections of the permanent collection

### **Coming Soon to Fuller Craft**

*Haystack Components: Metals and Jewelry*

May 16, 2015 - November 1, 2015

*Little Dreams in Glass and Metal: Selections from the Enamel Arts Foundation*

August 2, 2015 – November 29, 2015

*Toothpick Town: Architectural Toothpick Wonders of Stan Munro*

December 19, 2015 – March 27, 2016

### **About Fuller Craft Museum**

Fuller Craft Museum, New England's only museum of contemporary craft, is dedicated to the objects, ideas, and insight that inspire both patrons and artists to explore life through the art of contemporary craft. Fuller Craft Museum is located at 455 Oak St. in Brockton, MA. The Museum is open Tuesday through Sunday, 10:00 am – 5:00 pm, with free admission for all Thursdays from 5:00 – 9:00 pm. Admission is \$8 adults, \$5 seniors and students, free for members and children 12 and under.

For more information on Fuller Craft exhibitions and events please visit [www.fullercraft.org](http://www.fullercraft.org)(<http://www.fullercraft.org/>) or call 508.588.6000.

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