

# THE PATERSON MUSEUM

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## **“Evolving Symbols of America 2000”**

The Paterson Museum is pleased to announce the art exhibition “**Evolving Symbols of America 2000,**” by **Raúl Manzano**. The exhibit will be on display from October 1 - 29, 2000. The artist will be present at the opening reception on Sunday, October 1, from 2 to 5 p.m.

“The City of Paterson has always been a haven for the many waves of immigrants, which helped form this great nation. This tradition continues with “Evolving Symbols of America 2000,” in which Manzano presents his unique views on contemporary trends in painting. Diverse in approach and highly skilled in execution, these works enhance the Museum’s commitment to presenting excellence to the citizens of Paterson and the Northeast,” said director Giacomo De Stefano.

Inspired by Jasper John’s 1950s flag paintings, Mr. Manzano explores the changing significance of the United States flag and the Statue of Liberty at the beginning of the twenty-first century. Mr. Manzano, a passionately patriotic naturalized citizen is fascinated by the way in which time influences our perception of icons such as the United States flag and the Statue of Liberty. In transformative paintings, he intrigues the viewer to join him in an analytic process.

The Paterson Museum is located at Two Market Street in Paterson, New Jersey. The Museum is open to the public Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday hours are from 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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**Directions: From the East,** Route 80 West to Exit 57B-A. Follow signs to downtown Paterson to second right light. Make left onto Cianci St. At the next traffic light make left onto Market Street. The museum is the last building on left side. **From the West:** Route 80 East to Exit 57B Route 19 Downtown Paterson. Follow signs to Grand Street. At the next traffic light make right onto Market Street, and make first right into parking lot. **From the North:** Garden State Parkway South to Exit 160. Follow to Route 80 West. Follow same directions from the East. **From the South:** Garden State Parkway North to Exit 155 P (a left lane exit). Exit to Route 19 North, which take you to the Downtown Paterson, Grand St. exit. Follow directions from the West.