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Live Concert: Banjos on the Waterfront

BMI's outdoor concert with Dom Flemons and Tony Trischka highlights banjo exhibit

BALTIMORE, MARYLAND – The Baltimore Museum of Industry (BMI) will present an outdoor waterfront concert on Thursday, July 17 in support of the exhibition on the banjo's regional history and its local links to Baltimore in the 18th and 19th centuries. The temporary exhibit, titled "Making Music: The Banjo in Baltimore and Beyond", features banjos, sheet music, photographs, works of art, profiles of local banjo makers, and explores how our city was instrumental in the history of American banjo music.

The July concert will feature performances by banjo greats Dom Flemons and Tony Trischka.

Dom Flemons is known as the "American songster," and has played before more than one million people in the past three years. As a solo artist and as a founding member of the Grammy award-winning band the Carolina Chocolate Drops, Dom has brought traditional music to new audiences.

Tony Trischka is "the godfather of what's sometimes called new acoustic music." (*New York Times*) For over 45 years, he has inspired new generations of bluegrass and acoustic

musicians in the roots music world. Tony's international reputation is as a consummate banjo artist, innovative player, and sought-after banjo instructor.

Gates open 5:30 p.m., music begins at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are \$20 per person and may be purchased online at www.thebmi.org, at the BMI during public hours or at the gate the night of the concert.

This concert is supported in part by an award from the National Endowment for the Arts. Art Works.

The banjo exhibit runs through October 18, 2014.

Baltimore Museum of Industry

Founded in 1977 as a project of the Mayor's Office, the Baltimore Museum of Industry is a private, nonprofit organization established to celebrate the past, present and future innovations of Maryland industry and its people through dynamic educational experiences. The Museum is a leader in innovative education about Maryland industry and a major attraction for Baltimore, Maryland, and the Mid-Atlantic region. Hours are Tuesday – Sunday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., and closed Mondays. The Museum is located at 1415 Key Highway, Inner Harbor South, Baltimore. Parking is FREE.