# SHEN MoCA | Shenandoah Museum of Contemporary Art

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#### For immediate release:

# Winter Moon Festival: A Celestial Celebration

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Exhibition includes Local, Regional, and National Artists

#### SHEN MoCA presents a group show of 26 artists

January 19 – February 23, 2019

Hours: | 3 - 9 PM Friday | 12 - 6 PM Saturday & Sunday | And by appointment

"There's something enchanted about night. All those heavenly bodies, shooting stars, the crescent moon, celestial phenomenon. Owls fly at night, and first kisses happen. Night is romantic. Alternately, darkness hides the worst of human behavior." --Luanne Rice

"Ever since I was a kid, I have loved the Moon. It's always there and continues to inspire humanity."

#### --Yusaku Maezawa

"The moon is brighter since the barn burned." -- Matsuo Basho

"The most effective way to do it, is to do it."

# --Amelia Earhart

"We all shine on...like the moon and the stars and the sun..." --John Lennon

Illuminating and radiant, the Moon owns the enchantment of the night. Ever morphing lunar phases captivate, begetting our fascination. Our confidant posited in the evening sky, casts directional light to guide us.

Visual renderings and imaginative narratives chronicle the centuries-long artistic intrigue of this nocturnal dynamic. We observe the majesty of its sublime astronomical show as we revel in it's circadian presence. With coveted serenity, her mere depiction conjures up hope, divinity, guidance, and magic.

Magnetic dalliance transfixing, it inspires our mind's eye. The luminous glow transports spectators to other realms of being. An invitation to mystery and mythology, the moon bestows eminent influence upon humankind, animals, plants, and tides. Bask in her light: become enraptured by her powers.

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## SHEN MoCA

Established in 2017 by Rupert Ravens as a contemporary art destination and cultural anchor for Shenandoah Valley's cultural renaissance.

An international platform for Art, Nature & Technology projects that celebrate visionaries who take us on perceptual, adventurous, and transformative journeys.

The museum showcases artists who explore visual language implicitly in a way that is concise, authentic and vital.

#### Winter Moon Festival: A Celestial Celebration

**411 E. King St** - Sculpture, Paintings, Videos, Installations, Digital Prints, Photos

### SHEN MoCA Events

January 19 - Opening Reception | 2-6pm

February 14 - A Valentines Day Soirée | 6-9pm

February 23 - Closing Reception | 2-6pm

RSVP- https://shenmoca.org/RSVP/

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