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PBS 45 & 49 special to feature Akron Art Museum's Norman Rockwell exhibition

KENT, Ohio — Nov. 7, 2007 — The national premiere of a Norman Rockwell exhibition at the Akron Art Museum will be featured on PBS 45 & 49 on Thursday, Nov. 22 at 10 p.m. The special, **Norman Rockwell at the Akron Art Museum**, will repeat on Friday, Nov. 23 at 9:30 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 24 at 6 p.m. and Sunday, Nov. 25 at 10:30 p.m.

The 30-minute program includes a tour of the exhibition, titled "American Chronicles: The Art of Norman Rockwell," plus interviews with representatives from the Norman Rockwell Museum and the Akron Art Museum. Jody Miller, a panelist on PBS 45 & 49's weekly news show **NewsNight Akron**, hosts the program.

The exhibition, which opens on Nov. 10 and continues until Feb. 3, 2008, features the full range of Rockwell's artwork. It includes rarely circulated works from the collection of the Norman Rockwell Museum in Stockbridge, Mass. Also featured are the hundreds of magazine covers that Rockwell created for Saturday Evening Post. The exhibition's presentation and **Norman Rockwell at the Akron Art Museum** are made possible by a grant from The Burton D. Morgan Foundation.

Norman Rockwell created some 4,000 works during his lifetime. From touching scenes of everyday life — children at play, families gathered for holiday scenes — to powerful images documenting a world at war, Rockwell captured the American experience through his images, many of which are now icons of American culture.

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