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Friday, February 13, 2026
Museum of American Porcelain Art
4645 Mayfield Road, South Euclid, OH 44121
4:30pm Tour of Collection
With heavy hors d'oeuvres followed by presentation

The History of American Porcelain Art
Presented by Richard Barone,
Collector, Founder & Creator of MAPA



William E. Telling Mansion, completed 1929.
Formerly Lyndhurst Branch Cuyahoga County Public Library

Representative potteries - all closed by early 2000's



Edward Marshall Boehm



Boleslaw Cybis



Laszlo Ispanky



Carl Irving Burgues



Bronn Fine China Ltd.



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In the late 1960's, Cleveland entrepreneur and legendary investment manager, Richard A. Barone, discovered that trading porcelain art was profitable, and as a result, he became familiar with the art, itself. In the mid-1970's, his business ventures required his focus, so he ceased trading pieces. However, he had since become captivated by the art and became a collector, himself.

By 2006, Mr. Barone learned that all five of the studios now represented at MAPA had closed. Recognizing that many of America's important porcelains would be acquired by museums and private collectors, or had been broken over the decades, and thus largely lost to public viewing, he decided that the art and the archives of these studios needed to be preserved in one place for future generations. It was at that time that he began to

assemble a collection that would later become the Museum of American Porcelain Art.

Through auctions, the purchase of the remnants of the Edward Marshall Boehm Studio in Trenton, New Jersey, and the purchase of nearly 300 pieces from the Cybis Studio during their liquidation, the Museum collection was well on its way.

The Museum's collection is focused on the works of five major studios, each of which rose to prominence after the 1950s, and without exception, had terminated production around the turn of the century.

While names such as Dalton, Meissen, and Lladro, were dominant, the American studios stood out from the rest as being the most intricate and detailed works of porcelain art. American porcelains are owned and displayed by museums and public buildings around the world, including The White House, The Smithsonian, Buckingham Palace, and New York City's Metropolitan Museum. In 1992, Edward Marshall Boehm was accorded his highest honor when a wing of the Vatican Museum was named in his memory, a distinction previously reserved for popes and royal families.

The Museum is housed in the William Telling Mansion, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and is designated as both an Ohio Landmark and a South Euclid Landmark. Previously the site of the South Euclid-Lyndhurst branch of the Cuyahoga County Public Library, the building is a beloved community space, as well as a must-see for anyone who loves unique architecture.