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Idaho Black History Museum in collaboration with the Boise Art Museum presents FAITH RINGGOLD PRINT UNVEILING

**Wednesday, January 21, 2009
5:30 p.m.
Boise Art Museum**

BOISE - A public premiere/unveiling of a new limited-edition print by renowned artist Faith Ringgold will take place at the **Boise Art Museum at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 21, 2009**. The event is hosted by the Idaho Black History Museum. The limited-edition prints will be made available for purchase by the public beginning that evening, with a discount offered to members of the Boise Art Museum and the Idaho Black History Museum.

In February, 2008, Boise Art Museum requested and received a grant from the Sara Maas Fund of the Idaho Community Foundation and partnered with Boise State University's Visual Arts Department and Department of Literacy, the Idaho Black History Museum and the Lee Pesky Learning Center to bring internationally known artist Faith Ringgold to Boise for a lecture, book signing and other related programs in conjunction with the exhibition at BAM entitled *Faith Ringgold: Mama Can Sing, Papa Can Blow*. The artist was so moved by her experiences here that she decided to create a print for a collaborative fundraiser benefiting the Idaho Black History Museum and the Boise Art Museum. The printing was supported in part by a grant to the Idaho Black History Museum from the Idaho Humanities Council. Curlee Holton and The Experimental Printmaking Institute at Lafayette College produced the 100-print limited-edition serigraph. Melissa Brodt at The Art of Framing-Galerie Belle Ame in Eagle, Idaho, and Larson Juhl Frames donated the matting and framing of the display prints that will be on view at the Boise Art Museum and Idaho Black History Museum.

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About the Idaho Black History Museum

The Idaho Black History Museum was founded in 1995. The museum's purpose is to build bridges between cultures to explore issues that affect Americans of all cultures and ethnicities. More information is available at www.ibhm.org.

About the Boise Art Museum

Boise Art Museum (BAM) is a privately funded, non-profit museum accredited by the American Association of Museums. Support is provided by BAM members, contributions and grants from individuals, corporations and foundations, as well as grant funding from the city of Boise, Idaho Commission on the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts.