



The Wheelman's Machine

The Bicycle and its Innovators

The Charles River Museum of Industry & Innovation is excited to announce the installation of its latest exhibit "The Wheelman's Machine, the Bicycle and its Innovators." Running from January 8th through May 20th, 2009 the exhibit chronicles bicycle's first century development. Produced in cooperation with the Massachusetts division of The Wheelmen bicycle club, with images and text (David Herlihy, author) from the original Lockwood-Mathews Mansion Museum past exhibit "The Bicycle Takes Off," this new exhibit "**The Wheelman's Machine**" features advertisements, photographs, other ephemera, and of course early bicycles. Visitors will wind their way through the entertaining and sometimes absurd history of what some have called the most efficient machine ever made. Along the way they will discover what bloomers and the bicycle have in common, how Springfield, Massachusetts became a bicycling mecca and the original meaning of "taking a header."

An opening reception will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. January 8, 2009. Opening reception admission is \$10.00 per person (members are free) and includes light refreshments, wine and beer and music. Reservations are required and reservations can be made by calling 781 893 5410 or via email at elln@crmi.org.

The Charles River Museum is located at 154 Moody Street in Waltham, MA. The museum is open Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 10 AM to 5 PM. For more information visit the Museum website at www.crmi.org.

What: The Wheelman's Machine

When: January 8 through May 20, 2009
10 AM to 5 PM

Where: Charles River Museum of Industry

154 Moody Street, Waltham, MA
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\$\$\$: \$5.00 per adult, \$3.00 per child student or senior, children under 6 and members free

For more information or to reserve tickets in advance call (617) 893- 5410 or email at info@crmi.org

