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Greenville, SC-- Eight original works by Jasper Johns and eleven seldom exhibited paintings by Andrew Wyeth comprise *Jasper Johns + Andrew Wyeth: Repeat Until Empty*, now on view at the Greenville County Museum of Art.

Jasper Johns (born 1930) is the world's most critically acclaimed living artist. His work bridges the immediate post-World War II modernist trends of Surrealism and Abstract Expressionism with subsequent movements of the 1960s, including Pop art, Minimalism, and Conceptual art. Drawn from the Museum's extensive holdings of the artist's work, this exhibition includes only original works. Throughout his career, Johns has recast flags, targets, and other borrowed subjects, and in the process he has transformed both the images and their potential meaning. The works by Johns include examples of encaustic, oil, and watercolor, as well as a monotype and an Aquarelle crayon drawing. All works are untitled and range from 1987 to 1996.

Andrew Wyeth (1917 - 2009), regarded as one of the most important American artists of the 20th century, launched his career in 1937 with a sold-out exhibition of his watercolors in New York. Throughout his lengthy and prolific career, Wyeth focused on two locations: Chadds Ford, Pennsylvania, his birthplace, and Cushing, Maine, his second home since childhood. Drawing inspiration from the distinctive characteristics of these locations, he revealed universal attributes in his depictions of landscapes, objects, and people. Wyeth's preference for painting intimate subjects, including his family, his homes, his memories, and his favorite models is evident in this selection of work from a private collection. Seldom exhibited publicly, these paintings include ten watercolors and one egg tempera, ranging from 1964 to 2005.

The Greenville County Museum of Art is located in the center of downtown Greenville's cultural campus, Heritage Green, at 420 College Street. The GCMA is open Wednesday through Saturday from 10 am until 5 pm and on Sundays from 1 pm until 5 pm. Admission is free.

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