Associate Conservator, Paper

Job Summary

Organisation

Los Angeles County Museum of Art (LACMA)

Location

Los Angeles

Contract Type

Full-time

Salary

70000 USD - 75000 USD

Closing date

Mon, 06/11/2023 - 00:00

Job Details

Associate Conservator, Paper (Regular, Full-time)

Conservation Center

Reporting to the Senior Conservator, the Associate Conservator, Paper is responsible for the care and study of the Museum's large collection of works on paper. These artworks include but are not limited to prints, drawings, manuscripts, ephemera, books, screens, and scrolls. The Associate Conservator is part of the larger Conservation Center, with specialists in objects, paintings, textiles, paper, photos, and scientific research. Duties include examination, treatment, research, and preventative care for artworks in the permanent collection, as well as planning and preparation of artworks for exhibitions and loans.

Responsibilities:

Demonstrates the ability to examine, study, and treat artworks in the Museum's permanent collections to the highest current standards.

Contributes to research of best practices and the development of new treatment technologies. Performance of conservation treatments to the highest current standards and preparation of comprehensive documentation of objects' condition and conservation activities.

Advises curators and other staff on technical issues related to artworks in the collection, loans, and potential acquisitions.

Participates in the planning, treatment, and installation of paper-based artworks for exhibition throughout the Museum's extensive galleries.

Provides recommendations for safe transit and display of touring exhibitions and loans, including environmental specifications.

Encouraged to publish research in professional journals and to present at conferences.

Ensures that best practices for preventive and sustainable conservation are implemented in the use of materials chosen for exhibition, storage, and transit.

Performs courier duties as assigned.

Provides supervision and instruction for junior staff, fellows, and interns.

Responds to inquiries from external colleagues, scholars, and the general public.

Performs a wide variety of duties related to the care of the collection, both onsite at LACMA as well as at offsite storage locations.

Benefits:

The expected salary for this Los Angeles, CA based position is \$70,000 - \$75,000, subject to change, and the position is eligible for LACMA's comprehensive benefits package, including pension plan.

LACMA is committed to providing its employees with valuable and competitive benefits as a core part of a strong overall employee experience.

Qualifications:

MA in art conservation with specialization in works on paper, or equivalent training or experience.

A minimum of 5 - 7 years of museum conservation experience is preferred.

Proficiency in laboratory method and familiarity with analytical instrumentation.

Demonstrated abilities in conservation research and writing are preferred.

Proficiency with Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint. Knowledge of TMS is preferred.

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