

ZANESVILLE MUSEUM of ART

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The Zanesville Museum of Art Receives \$3,020 from The J.W. and M.H. Straker Charitable Foundation for Education Outreach Initiative

ZANESVILLE, Ohio– The Zanesville Museum of Art announced that it has received a \$3,020 grant from The J.W. and M.H. Straker Charitable Foundation for an upcoming education outreach partnership with Zanesville City Schools.

This project, called ZMA to Go, is the museum's first ever comprehensive classroom outreach initiative. ZMA to Go will provide arts-integrated learning experiences in ZCS 5th-grade classrooms that reinforce state and local curriculum standards. Trained ZMA Docents will bring works of art, historical objects, and archival materials from the museum's education collection into classrooms to provide students with a museum experience in their classroom.

"The museum is grateful to the J.W. and M.H. Straker Charitable Foundation for their support of the museum's expanding school outreach initiatives," stated ZMA Executive Director. "Art's integrated curriculum is needed now more than ever."

Three pilot modules are planned for the ZMA to Go pilot program. The first, called *Zanesville Pottery, Then and Now*, explores Zanesville noteworthy pottery manufacturing history and its larger relationship to the National Arts and Crafts movement. The second pilot module, *The Dancing Antelope: Animal Symbolism in Art*, utilizes the museum's education collection of objects from Indonesia, Africa, and Asia. The final pilot module for ZMA to Go, *It's All the Fashion: Wearable Art Across the Globe*, challenges students to consider how wearable art impacts their daily life and how it impacted members of society throughout history.

In its first year, ZMA to Go intends to launch in schools in Spring 2021. This important and unique initiative is made possible by the generous grant from The J.W. and M.H Straker Charitable Foundation.

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