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Zanesville Museum of Art Receives Grant for Education Internship Program

ZANESVILLE, Ohio– The Zanesville Museum of Art has received a grant from the Taylor-McHenry Memorial Fund to hire paid education interns. The paid interns will be working on the museum’s fourth-grade *Exploring Ohio’s History Through Art* (EOHTA) program, evaluating, reviewing, and revising this already successful curriculum.

This is a great opportunity for education students looking to get hands-on experience working in a classroom setting. During school field trips to the museum, the paid interns will be responsible for directing students through the ZMA’s galleries while completing activities that reinforce core social studies standards taught in the classroom. Upon completion of the EOHTA curriculum, the paid interns will summarize and analyze the results, making adjustments to continually improve the curriculum.

“We are so excited for our paid education interns to join the ZMA team,” stated ZMA Education Coordinator Misty Johnson. “With their help, we will be able to serve our local elementary school students better than ever while providing invaluable teaching experience to the next generation of educators.”

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Studies show that paid internships are 52% more likely to result in a full-time job offer than unpaid ones. This paid internship program will allow the museum to reach its goals with reliable, consistent, and trained help.

“I strongly support this internship program,” stated Teri M. Peasley, EdD, Program Coordinator/Associate Professor of Instruction, Early Childhood and Elementary Education at Ohio University Zanesville. “The Zanesville Museum of Art has a strong community focus, and this program would provide our students with an engaging and immersive experience.”

About the Curriculum

Exploring Ohio’s History Through Art is the ZMA’s fourth-grade curriculum that engages students using artwork on view at the museum. The initial draft of the fourth-grade curriculum was written in spring of 2018 by Zanesville City School Administrators and Educators, a grant-funded contract curriculum writer, and museum staff. The pilot program was launched that same year at National Road Elementary School and now the program is in all Zanesville City Schools. *Exploring Ohio’s History through Art* was generously funded by the Ohio Arts Council. Printing support was generously provided by the Muskingum County Community Foundation. *Exploring Ohio’s History through Art Online* was made possible in part thanks to the generous support of the Strengthening Civics Education Fund through the Foundation of Appalachian Ohio.

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