MFAH Internship/Fellowship Description

Intern/Fellow Title: Curatorial Intern, Film

Academic Level: Undergraduate

Supervisor: Marian Luntz

Department: Film (Curatorial)

Dates of Internship/Fellowship Term: June 5-August 11, 2017

Project Overview:

The Summer 2017 Film Intern will support current and future film programming plans for the Museum. The student will research and prepare program notes about films screening this summer (including Mexican and Alex Guinness series) and conduct research for upcoming seasons of films from Turkey, Iran and India. The student's major project will be completing the film screenings database in the museum's Archives and creating opportunities for this information to be utilized and become a dynamic resource.

Learning Goals and Objectives:

The student will learn about the role of the curatorial film department and how it supports the institution's mission. Knowledge will be obtained about the international community of film exhibitors and how the MFAH collaborates with colleagues around the world to further appreciation of cinema as an art form. The student will gain experience in analyzing, reviewing and discussing films. Additionally the summer intern will interact with the Houston community on film outreach initiatives, as well as assisting at some film screenings.

Skills, Knowledge and Abilities:

An interest in contemporary art, film history and theory is advantageous, as well as strong critical writing skills and the ability to work independently.

Education and Eligibility

Undergraduate level: Students currently enrolled in an undergraduate program or who
recently completed (within one year) a Bachelor's degree are eligible for this opportunity.

Anticipated Schedule:

- The internship will comprise 350 hours (35 hours per week for 10 weeks), which will begin on Monday, June 5 and should be completed by Friday, August 11, 2017. If necessary, hours/days missed can be made up by Friday, August 18, 2017.
- Monday through Friday, 9 to 5 pm (with hour-long lunch).
- The first two weeks will include approximately 10 hours of orientations (including human resources, information technology, library, etc.)

Undergraduate Internship Stipend:

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• Summer paid undergraduate interns receive a \$3500 stipend (\$10/hour) for the 10 week summer internship.

Application Instructions and Deadline:

Please submit the following materials to <u>interns@mfah.org</u>.

- Letter of interest describing your experience and professional goals as relevant to this opportunity (maximum 1000 words)
- Résumé
- A recent paper that includes critical analysis of a film.

When submitting application materials, please include the name of the internship or fellowship, in the subject line of your email. The deadline for applications for the MFAH Summer 2017 Internship and Fellowship program is Friday, March 10, 2017.