MFA H The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston

Position Available

Title: Curatorial Assistant, Art of the Islamic Worlds

Reports To: Curator, Art of the Islamic Worlds

Pay Type: Full-Time, Regular, Exempt, 35 hrs/week
Salary: Commensurate with Experience and Education

Benefits: Group Medical and Dental Insurance, Life and Long Term Disability

Insurance, Retirement Plan, Flexible Spending Plans, Paid Time Off, Reserve Time Off, Holiday Pay, Museum Membership and Discounts

Work Schedule: Monday - Friday, 9am - 5pm

Work Location: Beck Building, a non-smoking facility

Responsibilities:

- Provides curatorial assistance to Curator of Art of the Islamic Worlds
- Collection management: on-going collection research; research of new acquisition proposals; creation and maintenance of collection files
- Exhibition and catalogue project: research and documentation of objects; creation and maintenance of checklists; interdepartmental coordination (Registrar, Conservation, Photography, etc.)
- Schedules and coordinates permanent collection rotations, including research and labelwriting
- Coordinates travel arrangements for visiting speakers, artists, collectors
- Assists with research and writing grant proposals
- Performs other duties as necessary to support the curator with correspondence, reports, scholarly articles, lectures, catalogue manuscripts, collection-based support and general office responsibilities
- Library: works with Library staff to create library checklist of books needed for department library; checks out books from Library for curator

Skills, Knowledge and Abilities:

- Broad knowledge of art history, particularly of Islamic art
- Sophisticated research and writing skills essential
- Writing sample required
- Excellent organizational and computer skills, including Microsoft Office, TMS (The Museum System)
- Strong verbal and written communication skills
- Foreign language skills: Persian, preferred, or Arabic

Education and Experience:

- Minimum of BA in Art History required
- MA or PhD in Art History with emphasis on Islamic Art, preferred
- Minimum of 3 years of museum experience in a curatorial or research area desirable

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How to Apply:

Send resume to Human Resources, Job 17-148CUR, P.O. Box 6826, Houston TX 77265-6826; Fax 713-639-7597 or email: jobs@mfah.org or apply at http://mfah.org/about/careers

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