

<u>The Eugene V. Thaw Fellowship for Collections Cataloguing at The Metropolitan</u> <u>Museum of Art</u>

The Metropolitan Museum of Art is seeking eligible candidates for September 2020-August 2021.

The Eugene V. Thaw Fellowship for Collections Cataloguing is a 12-month position in the Department of European Paintings at The Metropolitan Museum of Art. The purpose of the Fellowship is to train students and young professionals in the practice of cataloguing works of art: the research and compilation of provenance, exhibition history, and bibliographic references, as well as documenting critical opinions from the literature. These elements are the foundation of art-historical knowledge and essential for curatorial practice. The department has a long history of maintaining records on the paintings in its collection and makes these available to anyone via the museum's website. For over a decade it has been involved in creating an online catalogue that is currently a model for many other institutions.

The Cataloguing Fellow will participate in a range of activities in the department over the twelve month period. The position will provide training in the TMS (The Museum System) database that is used throughout the museum world. The fellow will normally focus on a specific portion of the collection. Fellows will be involved in many aspects of the department's activities and will work closely with curators as well as conservators under the direction of the department's Senior Collections Cataloguer.

Eligible candidates should either have completed their MA or be ABD Ph.D. candidates. Preference will be given to those with some background in cataloguing, but this is not deemed essential. Basic language skills for the area in which they propose to work is essential.

The Cataloguing Fellowship stipend for the 12 month period will be \$42,000 with an additional stipend of \$6,000 for project/research related travel. The twelve-month position will take place from September 8, 2020- August 31, 2021.

The deadline for all applications is <u>December 6, 2019</u>. Interested applicants should submit their resume, a statement of interest, and a writing sample of no more than 1000 words to: Marcie Karp, Senior Managing Educator, Academic and Professional Programs, at <u>Academic.Programs@metmuseum.org</u> (subject line Eugene V. Thaw Fellowship).