

Conservator of Paper or Photographs

Williamstown Art Conservation Center

The Williamstown Art Conservation Center is seeking a full time conservator for the paper/photograph conservation department. The conservator will participate in all departmental activities including examination, documentation, analysis, and treatment. The successful applicant will also carry out consultations with museum curators and other WACC staff, assess member collections as well as supervise interns. The WACC's paper/photo conservation department is a large, well equipped lab, currently with two paper conservators and a pre-program intern.

The Williamstown Center is a non-profit regional conservation laboratory in operation since 1977. It serves 59 member institutions in the northeast and south, as well as a wide variety of nonmember, nonprofit, corporate and private collections. The member consortium holds collections containing a wide variety of ancient to modern fine art by western and Asian artists and artisans.

Williamstown is surrounded by natural beauty within the cultural center of the Berkshire Hills of Massachusetts. The Conservation facility is located within the Lunder Center at Stone Hill, a Tadeo Ando designed building, on the campus of the Clark Art Institute. The Clark houses the Manton Research Center and the Research and Academic Program. The Clark library, includes more than 240,000 volumes and is one of the nation's premier art history libraries. The Clark also houses and co-sponsors the Williams College Graduate Program in the History of Art.

Requirements include:

- Graduate-level conservation degree with a specialization in paper or photographic materials.
- A minimum of 4 years of post-graduate experience.
- Experience with analysis, documentation, conservation treatment, and preventive care for paper or photographic materials following ethical standards for professional conservation practice.
- Computer proficiency with MS Office products.
- Excellent oral, written, and interpersonal communication skills.
- Training in emergency preparedness/response would be a plus.
- Experience with, or interest in, carrying out facility assessments.
- A portfolio of treatments and research projects will be required of applicants selected for an interview.

Benefits Information:

Benefit package includes annual research funds (including paid leave), health, dental and life insurance, retirement, vacation, sick leave, holidays and access to Williams College cultural and recreational facilities. Salary will be commensurate with experience.

Send cover letter, CV and two references to Leslie Paisley, Williamstown Art Conservation Center, 227 South Street, Williamstown, Ma. 01267

For more information contact lpaisley@williamstownart.org. More information is available on the WACC's website: www.williamstownart.org. Position open until filled.