AAG class, September 12, 2018: Research and Program Resources

These are the three websites you will use as an Art Adventure Guide:
Artsmia, at https://new.artsmia.org

Public website for the museum, no password or username required to access information. Separate links to widely-used pages are provided in the IPE website, Menu: Research Resources/Artsmia Information.

*To allow us to add you to our guide database, you need to join or renew your Mia membership, giving the museum a current email address. On artsmia.org, select Join/MyMia Membership/membership benefits/Sign Up Today (Join or Renew).

MyMia, at https://members.artsmia.org

Currently, Mia volunteers are the only group allowed to use this website. This is NOT accessible from artsmia.org. Before you can be added to the database of volunteers, you need to join or renew your Mia membership, giving a current email address. In 2019, you will be added to the database of volunteers.

Once you have been added, you can access the dashboard and view your assignments. If you encounter issues accessing your MyMia account, email Paula Warn (pwarn@artsmia.org) or Jennifer Curry (jcurry@artsmia.org), giving as much detail as possible on the problem so they will be able to resolve the issue.

IPE volunteers, at https://ipevolunteers.org

The IPE website is currently undergoing a move to a new server, so the password has been disabled, meaning you have immediate access to the site. The password plug-in will be reinstated once the site moved, and you will be notified when that occurs.

Once the password plug-in is reinstated, you need to key in a username (first initial and last name, no space) and a password (mia4all). (The same password is used by all volunteers.) If you have any issues accessing the IPE site, please contact Kara (kzumbahlen@artsmia.org or 612-870-6459) or Ann (aisaacson@artsmia.org or 612-870-3089).

On the IPE site, you have direct links to MyMia. Direct links are on the main page and Calendars page. (We also send out a direct link to MyMia in your weekly CE reminder email.)

The following section covers some of the features of the IPE site.

Using the IPE volunteers' website
Search!

An easy method to quickly find something on the IPE site is to use the search box. The search box on the main page is at the end of the page (scroll down to find it). The search does not forgive poor spelling or other typos, so if you get no results in your first attempt, doublecheck that you didn't have a typo. Search results will also vary based in singular or plural terms.

AAG Program Resources

Click on the "Menu." It open on the side of the page, and you can scroll down through the headings. Under "Programs," you will see "AAG." We have the current **AAG sets** stored here online. (Please remember that these files are for your reference as a guide and should not be shared with others as the curriculum is copyrighted and a source of revenue for the museum.) Within each set folder is a PDF of the booklet, along with the latest tour routes. These are kept updated each month by Amanda Lesnikowski.

Find all materials for your AAG class in the Menu under "Programs/AAG/Freshmen AAG." We will post the class videos, PowerPoint presentations, and handouts for each class. A copy of the training calendar is posted, and additional readings will be posted here as well, in the Readings folder, as they are assigned.

Calendars

The brief and full continuing education calendars are posted here, as well as the biweekly calendars created by the Tour Office each week.

Research Resources

Good resources for information and further research on Mia objects are located under this heading.

- **Artsmia Information**: Quick links to information on artsmia.org (such as the main collection search page) are located here. Once you click on the links, they open in a new window and bring you directly into the artsmia site.
- **Online/Internet Resources:** Links to great outside resources, such as Khan Academy/Smarthistory and the Metropolitan Museum Heilbrunn Timeline of Art History are under this subheading.
- **Peer Sharing:** IPE volunteers share links to information connected to artists and objects within Mia's collection. Some small groups also work on special projects, like pronunciation guides. If you find an interesting article or video you wish to share, email the information to Kara (kzumbahlen@artsmia.org) for posting.
- **Object files:** These files hold in-depth research on an object in the permanent collection, and any volunteer could research and submit for review and publication on the site. Object files are stored on the site under Menu: Permanent Collection/All Object Files, and are also found under the specific collection area to which they belong (for example, Permanent Collection/Japanese and Korean Art). The table of contents, listing all posted object files, is found under Research Resources/Object File Process and Table of Contents. To find a specific object file, you may also search by artist or culture name, followed by the words "object file." **Topic words** allow a search for a theme-based object file result. Search **animals object file.** This type of search could help you find substitutes.

Videos

Videos for all general continuing education and other training sessions are posted here. (Your class videos will only be posted in the Freshmen AAG folder.) To find more videos, you need to click at the end of the page on "Older Posts."