

**National Gallery of Art
School Docent Education Calendar
2013 – 2014**

The School Docent Education Program supports the work of school docents and staff, who create and facilitate enriching art museum experiences for students and teachers at the National Gallery of Art.

To this end, we aim to create an instructional model that integrates and balances: content about audience (students and teacher), art, and teaching. Several formats will be used to advance docent learning about the various content areas, including: in-gallery walkthroughs, lectures, workshops that cover a variety of practical and educational topics, discussions and modeling of best practices in teaching and applied theory, and pre- and post-session readings.

There is one occasion in the calendar, **highlighted in yellow**, when you are asked to choose a workshop to sign-up. The sign-up procedures are as follows:

- Please send an email with the topic and your choice of time to schooldocented@nga.gov.
 - after January 8 for the Drawing Workshop
- You will receive an email confirmation within two business days.
- If the time that you have selected is already filled, you will be notified and asked to choose another session.
- Please make note of the date and time that you have selected.
- Each session may accommodate up to 30 participants.
- For any session requiring sign-up, only those who have received confirmations and appear on the sign-up list may participate.

Please note that attendance at all school docent education sessions is required. If you cannot attend a required education session, please send an email to d-palmer@nga.gov to inform staff.

In the event that an education session is cancelled, we will send an email to all active school docents. Whenever possible, cancellation messages will be sent before 8:00 a.m.

Location Abbreviations:

- EBLA (East Building Large Auditorium)
- EBSA (East Building Small Auditorium)
- ES (Education Studio)
- GR (Green Room)
- WBPR (West Building Project Room)
- WBLH (West Building Lecture Hall)
- 4th FCR (East Building Fourth Floor Conference Room)
- 6th FCR (East Building Sixth Floor Conference Room)

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September 2013						
Day	Date	Time	Education Events	Event Participants	Meetings	Location
Monday	September 9	10:15-12:15			Chairs/Vice Chairs/Staff Meeting	4 th FCR
Wednesday	September 11	10:15-11:00	School Docent Business Meeting	DET docents		WBLH
		11:00-12:30	<i>Art Connections</i> In-Gallery Session*	DET docents		WBLH
Wednesday	September 18	9:00-10:00	Welcome Back Coffee	DET docents DEA docents DEA-AI volunteers		Cascade Café
		10:15-11:30	Lecture, <i>Dear Theo, Thank you for the paints: Van Gogh's Choice of Materials and Some Unforeseen Changes</i> by Ann Hoenigswald, Senior Conservator	DET docents DEA docents DEA-AI volunteers		EBLA
		11:45-12:45			School Docent Committee Meetings	DC – GR MD & VA – WBLH
Wednesday	September 25	10:15-11:30	Lecture on <i>From Shadow to Substance: The Massachusetts 54th Volunteer Infantry and Augustus Saint-Gaudens' Shaw Memorial</i> exhibition by Sarah Greenough, Senior Curator, Department of Photographs with Nancy Anderson, Head of the Department of American and British Paintings	DET docents DEA docents DEA-AI volunteers		EBLA
		12:15-2:00	<i>Art Tales: Sky Color</i> In-Gallery Session**	DET docents		WBLH
Monday	September 30		School Tours begin			

**Art Connections* replaces *Artists' Choices* as the new tour for 6th grade students from Fairfax County Public Schools.

***Art Tales: Sky Color* is a new tour for students ages 4 – 6 and replaces *Art Tales: Little Cloud*.

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October 2013						
Day	Date	Time	Education Events	Event Participants	Meetings	Location
Wednesday	October 2		Trip to Winterthur Museum, Garden and Library*	DET docents		
Monday	October 7	10:30-12:30			Council Meeting	4 th FCR
		12:30-1:30			Chairs/Vice Chairs/Staff Meeting	4 th FCR
Wednesday	October 9	10:15-11:30	Lecture on <i>Heaven and Earth: Art of Byzantium from Greek Collections</i> exhibition by Larry Butler, Associate Professor of Art History, George Mason University	DET docents DEA docents DEA-AI volunteers		EBLA
		12:15-2:00	Walkthrough of <i>Heaven and Earth: Art of Byzantium from Greek Collections</i> exhibition and the Role of Information Part III	DET docents		
*Details will be provided.						

December 2013						
Day	Date	Time	Education Events	Event Participants	Meetings	Location
Friday	December 6		Last day of school tours before winter break			

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January 2014						
Day	Date	Time	Education Events	Event Participants	Meetings	Location
Wednesday	January 8	10:15-11:30	<i>Art Investigators</i> In-Gallery Session	DET docents		WBLH
		12:30-2:00	Best Practices Session	DET docents		WBLH
Wednesday	January 15	10:15-11:30	Lecture on <i>Northern Renaissance</i> by John Hand, Curator, Northern Renaissance Paintings	DET docents DEA docents DEA-AI volunteers		WBLH
		11:45-12:30			School Docent Committee Meetings	DC & VA – WBLH MD – 4 th FCR
Wednesday	January 22	10:15-11:30	<i>Integrating Movement and Drama into School Tours</i> with Lenore Blank Kelner	DET docents		WBLH
		12:15-2:00	<i>Integrating Movement and Drama into School Tours</i> with Lenore Blank Kelner	DET docents		WBLH
Wednesday	January 29	10:30-12:30			Council Meeting	4 th FCR
		12:30-1:30			Chairs/Vice Chairs/Staff Meeting	4 th FCR

February 2014						
Day	Date	Time	Education Events	Event Participants	Meetings	Location
Wednesday	February 5	10:15-12:15 1:15-3:15	Drawing Workshop	DET docents		WB Galleries

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March 2014

Day	Date	Time	Education Events	Event Participants	Meetings	Location
Wednesday	March 26	11:45-12:30		DET docents	School Docent Committee Meetings	DC & MD – Studio VA – WBPR

April 2014

Day	Date	Time	Education Events	Event Participants	Meetings	Location
~Volunteer Awards Ceremony Tea and Photo Session, date tbd~						

May 2014

Day	Date	Time	Education Events	Event Participants	Meetings	Location
Wednesday	May 28	10:15-11:30	End-of-Year Bylaws Meeting and Lecture on the Degas/Cassatt exhibition (lecturer TBD)	DET docents DEA docents DEA-AI volunteers		WBLH
Friday	May 30		Last day of School Tours			

June 2014

Day	Date	Time	Education Events	Event Participants	Meetings	Location
~Volunteer Awards Ceremony, date tbd~						