National Gallery of Art Awards 10 Fall Fellowships and Internships

From Left to Right: Danielle Siemers, Kathryn Harada, Vincenzo Sorrentino, Sarah Molina, John Wang, Julia Silverman, John A. Tyson, and Abby Bron. Missing from photo: Jamie Gabbarelli and Victoria de Gracia Gonzalez

Washington, DC—The National Gallery of Art welcomed 10 emerging professionals to participate in its 2016–2017 fall fellowship and internship programs. The group was selected after a competitive application process and includes individuals from four states and four foreign countries. The fellowships and internships began on Monday, September 12, 2016, and will conclude on Friday, May 12, 2017.

Graduate Curatorial Internships at the National Gallery of Art provide in-depth training for advanced PhD students and recent PhD recipients interested in gaining curatorial experience in a museum setting. Fellows and interns work with curators on permanent collection and exhibition projects and attend a weekly seminar that introduces the staff, departments, programs, and functions of the Gallery. Internships in the Museum Profession at the National Gallery of Art provide institutional training to students interested in pursuing a museum career. Working closely with professional staff at the Gallery, interns participate in the ongoing work of a department, complete a project or a discrete portion of a larger project, and attend a weekly seminar that introduces the staff, departments, programs, and functions of the Gallery.

Fellows and interns are chosen for these rigorous programs based on a strong interest in museum work, outstanding academic achievement, and letters of recommendation, among other criteria. In addition to placements in traditional areas—curatorial, education, conservation, and administration—the Gallery also offers internships in horticulture, graphic design, architecture, publishing, archives, music, and public safety. As part of their regular work schedule, participants attend a biweekly seminar that introduces them to the broad spectrum of museum work at the Gallery, including departments, staff, functions, and programs.

The fellowship and internship programs are supported by individual gifts and endowment funds, and is administered by the department of academic programs in the division of education. Information about the summer internship program, as well as about other Gallery internships and fellowships, is available at www.nga.gov/content/ngaweb/opportunities/interns-and-fellows.html or by calling (202) 842-6257.

2016–2017 National Gallery of Art Fall Fellows and Interns

Jamie Gabbarelli
Assisi, Italy
Jamie completed a BA (double major in classics and oriental studies) from Oxford University, an MA (cultural and intellectual history) from the Warburg Institute, and a PhD (history of art and Renaissance studies) from Yale University. His dissertation is titled "Networks, Copies, Collaboration: Ventura Salimbene, Philippe Thomassin, and Printmaking in Rome 1585–1620." Most recently Jamie was the Chester Dale Fellow at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Previously he was a summer fellow at the Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library at Yale University and a Michael Bromberg Fellow in the department of prints and drawings at the British Museum. Jamie will continue a second year working in the department of old master prints conducting...
research for an upcoming chiaroscuro woodcuts exhibition and a web feature on Renaissance prints and maiolica. Jamie holds dual British and Italian citizenship.

John A. Tyson
Amherst, Massachusetts
John received a BA (art history) from Tufts University, and a PhD (modern and contemporary art history) from Emory University. John’s dissertation focuses on the artwork of Hans Haacke (“Hans Haacke: Beyond Systems Aesthetics”). He was the recipient of an American Council of Learned Societies/Henry Luce Foundation dissertation fellowship in American art. Previously he was a fellow at the Center for Curatorial Leadership (CCL)/Mellon Seminar in Curatorial Practice and a Helena Rubinstein Fellow of Critical Studies at the Whitney Museum of American Art Independent Study Program. For a second year John will assist the department of modern art with research for the upcoming Rachel Whiteread retrospective and lead tours in the newly reinstalled East Building permanent and special exhibition galleries. In collaboration with the department of film programs, he is developing an evening film and video art series tentatively titled “Artists and the Moving Image.” He will also work in the department of modern prints and drawings cataloging Jasper Johns prints. John holds dual British and American citizenship.

Joseph F. McCrindle Foundation Curatorial Intern
Julia Silverman
Teaneck, New Jersey
Julia received a BA (art history) from the University of Chicago and an MA (art history) from Williams College. Most recently she was a research assistant in the department of research and academic programs at the Sterling and Francine Clark Art Institute. Julia was the Judith M. Lenett Memorial Fellow in American Art Conservation at the Sterling and Francine Clark Art Institute. She will assist with the Gallery’s systematic catalog of Italian plaquettes with plans for an upcoming Renaissance sculpture conference.

Interns in the Museum Profession
Sarah Molina
Chapel Hill, North Carolina
Sarah recently received a BA (art history) from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She participated in the inaugural Andrew W. Mellon Summer Academy at the Art Institute of Chicago. Subsequently Sarah was awarded an Andrew W. Mellon Undergraduate Curatorial Fellowship at the Art Institute of Chicago, a two-year fellowship in curatorial practice and professional development. Sarah has also interned at the Arthur M. Sackler and Freer Gallery of Art and the Ackland Art Museum. This year Sarah will be working in the education division assisting with the Acoustiguide audit, the upcoming John Wilmerding community celebration, and evening programming.

Danielle Siemens
Edmonton, Alberta, Canada
Danielle received a BA (art history) from the University of Alberta and an MA (art history) from Carleton University. Most recently she completed a practicum in the photographs collection at the National Gallery of Canada. She was a 2016 recipient of the annual Sir James Lougheed Award of Distinction from the government of Alberta, which supports advanced study at institutions outside of Alberta. This year Danielle will assist the department of photographs with research and organization for an upcoming exhibition on women photographers working from the 1920s through the 1940s. She will also help with the cataloging and researching of photographs in the collection. Danielle is a citizen of Canada.

Graduate Interns
Kathryn Harada
Silverdale, Washington
Kat received a BA (art history) from Smith College and is currently pursuing an MA with a certificate of advanced study (art conservation) at Buffalo State, the State University of New York. Previously she was a paintings conservation intern at the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, and Williamstown Art Conservation Center. This year Kat will assist the department of painting conservation with the treatment of European and American paintings, general collection care, and examination and documentation for loans from the permanent collection to other institutions.

Abby Eron
Cherry Hill, New Jersey
Abby received a BA (art history and international and global studies) from Brandeis University. Currently she is pursuing a PhD (art history) at the University of Maryland, College Park. Previously Abby held a summer internship position at the Gallery in 2014 and also interned at the National Museum of American Jewish History and the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston. This year Abby will assist with research and organization for an upcoming exhibition on American Pre-Raphaelites.

Vincenzo Sorrentino
Naples, Italy
Vincenzo received a BA (cultural heritage) and an MA (history and visual and performing arts and new media) from the Università di Pisa and is currently pursuing a PhD (history of art) through the Tuscany University Network (TUNE). Vincenzo has interned in the restoration laboratory at Museo di Capodimonte, Naples. He is in residence through December, assisting with research for an upcoming exhibition and catalog on the sculpture of Andrea del Verrocchio.
John Wang
Hong Kong
John recently received a BA (history of art and architecture) from Harvard College. He was the 2016 winner of the Radcliffe Institute Public Art Competition with a design proposal titled In Search of 100 Years at 73 Brattle. Most recently he was a student guide at the Harvard Art Museums. Last summer John was an architectural design intern at FCJZ Atelier, an architecture firm in Beijing, China. As a Dumbarton Oaks Humanities Fellow, he will split his time between the research institute and the Gallery. He will be assisting the department of exhibition programs with research for two upcoming exhibitions, Andrea del Verrocchio and Seventeenth-Century Genoa.

Culturex Fellow (2016–2017)
Victoria de Gracia Gonzalez
Madrid, Spain
Victoria received a BA (sociology) from Universidad de Granada and an MBA (cultural institutions management) and MA (cultural studies) from Universidad Complutense de Madrid. Most recently Victoria worked in the communication and promotion department at Instituto Cervantes. From October to February she will assist the press office in disseminating information about the Gallery nationally and internationally. Victoria is a citizen of Spain.

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