

For immediate release: Museum of Art of the University of New Hampshire  
Receives \$10,000 National Endowment for the Humanities Grant  
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## NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES

**DURHAM, NH** –The Museum of Art of the University of New Hampshire has been awarded a \$10,000 Preservation Assistance Grant for Smaller Institutions from the National Endowment of the Humanities. The

grant, designed to help small to mid-sized institutions improve the ability to preserve and care for their collections, will be used by the Museum to purchase temperature and humidity monitoring equipment, equipment to monitor and reduce light levels in exhibition and storage areas, and purchase archival storage materials. These opportunities for improvement in the Museum were identified through a Collections Assessment for Preservation Survey Grant awarded in 2019.

The Museum is poised to make the collection ever more accessible to faculty and students for both class work and research and support the Museum's goal to facilitate multi-disciplinary uses for the collection, which to date, has supported curricula in academic departments in the College of Liberal Arts, including Anthropology, English, Geography, and History. Active pursuit of opportunities to incorporate visual learning and literacy into the curriculum, contribute to academic excellence, and to build commitment and pride in UNH throughout the state is a driving goal of the Museum.

The permanent collection currently consists of 2,212 objects with an emphasis on the work of nineteenth and early twentieth-century New Hampshire artists, as well as genre and figurative art from the renaissance to the present day.

Prints from the Museum's permanent collection acquired between 2018-2021 are currently on exhibition for the first time in *Asymmetry of Existence: Locating the Self*. The exhibition presents prints, drawings, and photographs by thirteen artists spanning the past seventy years.

The Museum of Art and programs are open to the public free of charge. For more information on the Museum of Art, hours of operation and other exhibitions and programs please visit our [website](#).

Exhibitions and accompanying programs are supported by [Friends of the Museum of Art](#), UNH.

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