

Position Announcement LACMA

Assistant Curator, Islamic Art

The Los Angeles County Museum of Art is home to a highly significant collection of Islamic art. These widely diverse arts, from an area extending from southern Spain to Central Asia, trace the distinctive visual imagination of Islamic artists over a period of fourteen hundred years. This comprehensive collection consists of over 2,000 works.

Reporting to the Curator & Department Head of Art of the Middle East, the Assistant Curator provides specific expertise in Islamic art. Primary areas of responsibility include exhibition-related projects, involving preparation of checklists, and research and writing for catalogues and didactics. In addition, the Assistant Curator serves as the department's liaison to collections management, education and other departments within the Museum.

The qualified candidate will have a recent PhD or advanced ABD in the history of Islamic art, ideally with some professional museum experience and/or a demonstrated enthusiasm for working with objects. The successful applicant will have a sound knowledge of one or both of the following languages: Arabic; Ottoman Turkish, and, preferably, will have a strong interest in Art of the Arab Lands or the Ottoman Empire. Since the Assistant Curator also will have administrative responsibility for the department's collection of ancient Near Eastern art, a general knowledge of this area would be helpful. Please send a CV, cover letter, writing sample and list of three references **by May 12 (approx.), 2019 to amec@lacma.org** or access the LACMA website <http://www.lacma.org/jobs> The position will commence by September 1, 2019.