

The Century Association

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Position Description – Curator

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The club was founded in 1847 by a group of artists and writers in New York, and continues today to fulfill its mission to promote art and literature. The Association occupies a landmark building in New York City, designed by Century member Stanford White and opened in 1892. The club's art collection includes significant work by artist members, past and present, with an emphasis on masters of 19th century art.

The Curator

The Century is seeking a curator with demonstrated knowledge of American art and experience in the documentation, maintenance and presentation of works by historic and contemporary American artists associated with the Century. Fundamental requirements include proficiency with digital record keeping; art handling, layout, and installation abilities; amiable disposition; and the interpersonal skills necessary to work with a community of highly-engaged artists.

Responsibilities

- The curator is responsible for all works of fine and decorative art in the clubhouse, including antique furniture. The care and preservation of those collections are a principal activity of the curator, who maintains files relating to the history, value, movement, and location of these works. An important initiative will be the creation of digital files that will also incorporate any new research regarding the collections. The overall supervision of the collection is under the aegis of the Committee on House Art, a panel of members that includes curators, artists, architects, and designers.
- The curator will also work closely with the Century's Committee on Exhibitions, a rotating group of amateurs and professionals among the membership. The committee has a program of regularly scheduled exhibitions of works submitted by artist members according to themes determined by the committee. The curator is engaged in the installation, dismantling, and supervision of these exhibitions and is responsible for the physical care of all objects loaned to the club. The curator prepares labels, text copy, and exhibition lists, and commemorative pamphlets of special exhibitions, and keeps a photographic record of all loan exhibitions.

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- Building fruitful relationships with artist members is an important part of the job, and includes studio visits with and without committee members.

Additional Information

This position offers a great opportunity to work with a significant collection, an enthusiastic membership, and New York City's creative community at large. Reporting to the club's general manager, the curator oversees the art collection, manages all art-related matters and nurtures and assists the member artists. The position includes a competitive salary and benefits package.

The Century Association is an equal opportunity employer. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, religion, national origin, age, gender, disability or political affiliation.

Apply for This Position

Interested candidate should submit a compelling cover letter and resume for consideration to the Search Committee, c/o Albert Brunner, General Manager at abrunner@thecentury.org. If you have any questions or to recommend a candidate, he can be reached at (646) 453-1160.