

Stephen K. and Janie Woo Scher Fellowship, 2024–25, New York City

The Frick Collection, Sep 1, 2024–Jun 30, 2025

Application deadline: Apr 15, 2023

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Opened to the public in 1935, The Frick Collection is a world-renowned art museum consisting of more than 1,800 works of art from the thirteenth to the nineteenth centuries displayed in the intimate surroundings of the former home of Pittsburgh industrialist Henry Clay Frick. It is considered one of the world's most perfect museums, and the residence is one of New York City's few remaining Gilded Age mansions. The Frick welcomes nearly 200,000 visitors a year to its tranquil mansion on the Upper East Side, encouraging visitors to closely observe, reflect, and engage with its esteemed collection.

The Frick Art Reference Library, founded by Mr. Frick's daughter, Helen Clay Frick, in 1920, is an internationally recognized research library that serves as one of the world's most complete resources for the study of Western art.

Our entire staff ensures that the resources of The Frick Collection are made accessible and inviting to "all persons whomsoever," in accordance with the wishes of the museum's founder.

Since summer 2020, The Frick has been in a temporary home—Frick Madison—at 75th Street and Madison Avenue (the former Whitney Museum of American Art), while renovations are underway at the mansion on 70th Street. Construction has progressed rapidly and, in addition to special exhibition galleries, education spaces we have added enhanced visitor amenities and accessible spaces. We are planning for our move back to 1 East 70th Street later in 2024.

Benefits in Employment with the Frick Collection

Paid Holidays: All full-time employees are eligible for 14 paid holidays, all federal holidays including Juneteenth, and Election Day. Including four floating holidays: two may be used in the first half of the calendar year, two may be used in the second half of the calendar year.

Sick and Vacation time: All eligible full-time employees accrue up to 12 sick and 12 vacation days their first year of employment. In subsequent years, eligible full-time employees accrue up to 12 sick days and 25 vacation days/year.

Family leave: We provide all eligible employees with paid bereavement leave and paid family leave, and we adhere to federal family leave laws.

Health, Dental, and Vision insurance: All eligible full-time employees and their eligible dependents may enroll in employer-sponsored benefit plans. Employees contribute to the cost of health insurance based on income level and type of coverage selected.

Short- and Long-Term Disability and Life Insurance: The Frick covers the entire cost of these benefits for all eligible full-time employees. The life insurance benefit is up to three times the employee's annual salary.

Wellness Programs at the Frick include an Employee Assistance Plan, a discount on Citi Bike memberships, and a discount on bike helmets.

Additional benefits include discounted Metro Cards/Transit Checks and flexible spending accounts for health, dependent care, and commuting costs.

Position Summary

The Frick Collection is pleased to announce the availability of a six-month fellowship for an outstanding candidate who wishes to pursue research in the field of medals with a chronology spanning from around the year 1400 to 1900. The fellowship offers invaluable curatorial training and provides the scholarly and financial resources required for completing the assigned research project. Internationally renowned for its exceptional collection of western European art from the early Renaissance through the end of the nineteenth century, The Frick Collection—complemented by the equally significant resources of the Frick Art Reference Library—offers a unique opportunity for object-based research. The fellowship is best suited to a scholar pursuing research that contributes to expanding knowledge in the field of medals, and ideally around one or more objects included the vast collection of medals donated to the Frick by Stephen K. and Janie Woo Scher.

The Stephen K. and Janie Woo Scher Fellow will have an opportunity to work with curatorial and educational staff on research for permanent collection displays and special exhibitions. Other curatorial training responsibilities include participation in the daily administrative routines of a small museum. The Fellow will have a place of study, access to the collections and library, as well as introductions to New York City museums and libraries. Frick curators and conservation staff will be available for consultation on the candidate's research project. The Fellow is considered a full-time temporary exempt employee for the duration of the fellowship. The term is expected to be for six-months and begin between September 2024 and January 2025, without possibility of extension beyond the six-month term.

Employment Status and Compensation

The Fellow is considered a full-time temporary employee for the duration of their six-month fellowship and will be eligible for all benefits associated with full-time employment. The Frick will cover travel expenses related to research.

The term for this role is expected to be six-months and begin between September 2024 and January 2025, without possibility of extension beyond the six-month term.

The six-month salary for this exempt role is \$26,000 and will be paid on a biweekly basis.

Requirements

Applicants are ideally doctoral students or early-career scholars, though not necessarily specialists in the field of numismatics.

Application Process:

Applications must include the following materials:

- A cover letter explaining the applicant's interest in the fellowship and a proposed research project. The letter should include a home address, phone number, and email address.
- A complete curriculum vitae of education, employment, honors, awards, and publications.
- A copy of a published paper or a writing sample in English, no more than fifty pages in length.
- Two letters of recommendation (academic and/or professional). Letters of recommendation should be sent to jobs@frick.org directly from recommenders, include candidate's name in subject line. PDFs of signed letters on university or business stationery are preferred.

Deadline April 15, 2024.

Please submit application materials, other than letters of recommendation here,

Or send requisite materials to:

Executive Assistant to the Chief Curator
Frick Madison
30 East 75th Street
New York, NY 10021

We anticipate conducting interviews in April and May.

Equal Employment Opportunity has been, and will continue to be, a fundamental principal at The Frick Collection, where employment is based upon personal capabilities and qualifications without discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, marital status, alienage or citizenship status, sexual orientation, disability, pregnancy, military status, creed, genetic predisposition or carrier status, or any other protected characteristic as established by law. This policy applies to all terms and conditions of employment, including, but not limited to, hiring, placement, promotion, termination, layoff, recall, transfer, leaves of absence, compensation, and training.

At the Frick Collection, we pride ourselves on promoting an open and welcoming workplace culture that supports diversity and work-life balance. The Frick strives to provide our employees with competitive salaries and exceptional benefits in a beautiful and pleasant work setting, while offering an excellent opportunity to appreciate some of the world's finest works of art.

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Qualified candidates of diverse backgrounds are encouraged to apply for vacant positions at all levels.

The Frick requires all employees be fully vaccinated and to have received booster vaccines against COVID 19.

This description shall not be construed as a contract of any sort for a specific period of employment.

Reference:

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