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Art Cart News

Thanks so much for working with the Art Carts! We couldn't do it without you. Your time in the galleries with the Art Carts truly enhance visitors' experiences by getting them more engaged with the art on view.

We have removed the Passports from the Art Carts because they are not currently serving the purpose they were created for: to get visitors to engage with all the art carts. The passports certainly are fun, but it's unlikely that a child or their parents remember to bring the passport back each time they visit. Plus, all the Art Carts are not out in the galleries on a regular basis, so even if a family remembers their passport, it's unlikely they could get more than four different stamps over the course of a few months.

We will be getting a new "goodie" to give to visitors who participate in Art Cart activities in the summer. We have taken the passports off of the carts but left the rubber bracelets behind. If you would like to give visitors a rubber bracelet as a memento, please do!

Best,

Juline Chevalier

Head of Interpretation and Participatory Experiences

CHANGES TO ART STORAGE LOCATIONS

The Art Carts are stored as follows:

Africa – relocated to 3rd Floor Costume Closet: has been moved from temporary storage in the Administration area to the 3rd Floor. The key to the closet is kept in the metal filing cabinet in the Tour Schedulers office. The key hangs on a hook on the inside of the top drawer of the cabinet. Security staff can also let you in the closet.

Japan – relocated to 3rd Floor Costume Closet: the Japan Art Cart has been moved from 2nd Floor Target Gallery to the 3rd Floor. The key to the closet is kept in the metal filing cabinet in the Tour Schedulers office. The key hangs on a hook on the inside of the top drawer of the cabinet. Security staff can also let you in the closet.

South & SE Asia – relocated to 3rd Floor Costume Closet: the South & SE Asia Art Cart has been moved from 2nd Floor Target Gallery to the 3rd Floor. The key to the closet is kept in the metal filing cabinet in the Tour Schedulers office. The key hangs on a hook on the inside of the top drawer of the cabinet. Security staff can also let you in the closet.

Modern - located to 3rd Floor Costume Closet: The key to the closet is kept in the metal filing cabinet in the Tour Schedulers office. The key hangs on a hook on the inside of the top drawer of the cabinet. Security staff can also let you in the closet.

China – 3rd Floor Costume Room: G324, no change

Photography – 3rd Floor Costume Room: G324, no change

Dutch Baroque – 3rd Floor Costume Room: G324, no change

Americas – 2nd Floor: closet (G262), just south of the Americas galleries, no change.

Greece and Rome –2nd Floor: closet (G262), just south of the Americas galleries, no change.

Impression –Rest: in storage

Pacific Islands –Rest: in storage

Renaissance – Rest: in storage

2 nd Floor Closet G262	3 rd Floor Costume Rm G324	Rest - Storage
<p>Just south of the Americas galleries</p> <p>Security staff can let you in the closet.</p>	<p>Key is in the metal filing cabinet in the Tour Schedulers office. It hangs on a hook on the inside of the top drawer of the cabinet. Security staff can also let you in the closet.</p>	<p>Pacific Islands Renaissance Impressionism</p>

Art Cart Upkeep

Emily LeCrone is the Participatory Spaces Assistant in Multi-generational Learning. Emily provides support for the upkeep and long-term maintenance of Art Carts in addition to her many other duties.

Issues of Art Cart upkeep, replenishing supplies, and repairs can be addressed to Emily at elecrone@artsmia.org or 612-870-3205.

Art Cart Oversight

Juline Chevalier, Head of Interpretation and Participatory Spaces, oversees the Art Cart program. You can reach her at jchevalier@artsmia.org.

General Art Cart Maintenance

We are delighted to have Emily to help with the upkeep of the Art Carts, but general Art Cart maintenance – the shift-to-shift care of assembly and putting away of the objects in their proper containers and bins - is the responsibility of all volunteers assigned to the Art Carts. Please, keep the Art Carts organized and in good order.