Samuel P. Harn Museum of Art
Intern Project Description Form

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Department: Curatorial
Title of Internship: Writer-in-Residence

Brief Description of Internship: The Writer-in-Residence program is a joint project between the Harn Museum of Art and Debora Greger, Poet Emerita, and is housed within the Asian Wing of the Harn. Writers-in-Residence write poetry and prose inspired by the Harn Museum’s permanent collection. Exhibition-related projects are created to engage visitors through interpretation and activities involving creative writing.

Date needed and duration: Ongoing project, Offered every term

Hours per week: 10

Specific Duties:
- Write commissioned pieces about art on display. These works will be available for visitors to peruse.
- Produce creative writing copy for Family Guides to the Asian Wing.
- Create writing activities for visitors of Museum Nights.
- Other duties, particular to future exhibitions, as needed.
- Produce creative writing for “Word Blast,” another Museum Nights project, where interns read works they’ve written about art on display.

Qualifications needed:
- Available 10 hrs/wk during museum business hours: M – F, 8 am-5 pm and Museum Nights, hosted the second Thursday of each month from 6 to 9pm.
- Creative writing experience.

Learning Objectives for intern: (what will the student learn from this experience?)
- Experience with ekphrastic writing and interpretation.
- Experience designing custom materials for special exhibitions for a variety of audiences.
- Collaboration between museum departments.

Special application instructions for this project:
- Applicants should submit a 4 page writing sample with their application.
- Questions about genre should be addressed to Debora Greger, Poet-in-Residence, at dgreger@ufl.edu.