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IFPDA FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES 2019 CURATORIAL INTERNSHIP AWARDS

New York, New York: May 23, 2019: **Jenny Gibbs, Executive Director** of the International Fine Print Dealers Association (IFPDA) and **The IFPDA Foundation** are pleased to announce the IFPDA's curatorial internship awards to seven eminent art institutions for Summer 2019.

Each year, the IFPDA Foundation awards funding for curatorial internships to a select number of museums as part of its IFPDA Curatorial Internship Program. These institutions are chosen for their significant print collections, offering an object-based learning experience for the next generation of print scholars and curators. Gibbs says "Speaking from personal experience, although a graduate education in art history is valuable, nothing replaces the kind of learning that happens while handling the art and objects you are studying. The IFPDA Foundation is firmly committed to keeping learning through connoisseurship alive."

The recipients of the 2019 IFPDA Curatorial Internship Grants are *The Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco; Baltimore Museum of Art; Hamilton College; Museum of Fine Arts, Houston* *The Blanton Museum of Art, University of Texas-Austin; Harvard Art Museums; and Academy Art Museum, Maryland.*

[Nikki Otten](#), an alumna of the IFPDA Curatorial Internship Program, is now Associate Curator of Prints and Drawings at the Milwaukee Art Museum:

“My IFPDA Curatorial Internship in Prints at the Chrysler Museum of Art helped me to gain expertise with prints and familiarity with museum work more generally. It also provided the opportunity for me to work at a museum in a different part of the country, which allowed me to extend my professional network. The internship led to fellowships and research assistant roles at other museums, and eventually to my current position as Associate Curator of Prints and Drawings at the Milwaukee Art Museum.”

The IFPDA Foundation was established by the [International Fine Print Dealers Association](#) in 2009 to support research, exhibitions and curatorial projects focused on prints and printmaking. In 2014, the Foundation initiated its IFPDA Curatorial Internship Program.

About IFPDA

The International Fine Print Dealers Association (IFPDA) represents 160 vetted international art galleries and publishers who champion the work of artists in printmaking from old master to contemporary. Each year the IFPDA organizes the Fine Art Print Fair in New York, the largest and oldest art fair in New York showcasing old master to contemporary fine art prints. Proceeds from the IFPDA Fine Art Print Fair benefit the IFPDA Foundation, which awards curatorial, exhibition and artists grants in the field of printmaking and scholarship.

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