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**N.C. Museum of Art Receives Grant from Henry Luce Foundation**  
***Grant will fund reinstallation, reinterpretation of American art collection***

**RALEIGH, N.C.**—The North Carolina Museum of Art Foundation recently received a \$150,000 grant from the Henry Luce Foundation of New York

As NCMA staff begin preparations for moving the permanent collection into a new Museum building, scheduled for completion in 2009, the grant will allow the Museum focus efforts on its American art collection.

“We are indebted to the Luce Foundation for its continued support of our American art program,” said NCMA Deputy Director for Art, John Coffey. “This generous grant will enable us to re-think our American art collection and to re-present it in ways that engage both the eye and the mind.”

The Luce grant will allow the NCMA to develop new interpretive materials for the American collection. The grant will also make possible site visits by NCMA curators, educators, and designers to several major American museums with recent and innovative installations of American art, creating the opportunity for collaborations with other museums and private collections. In addition, the grant will allow the NCMA to reframe selected paintings with more appropriate period frames.

For more information on the NCMA, please visit [www.ncartmuseum.org](http://www.ncartmuseum.org) or call (919) 839-NCMA.

About the Henry Luce Foundation

*The Henry Luce Foundation was established in 1936 by the late Henry R. Luce, cofounder and editor-in-chief of Time Inc. With assets of approximately \$750 million, the Luce Foundation also supports higher education, Asian affairs, theology, women in science, and engineering. [www.hluce.org](http://www.hluce.org)*

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The North Carolina Museum of Art's permanent collection spans more than 5,000 years, from ancient Egypt to the present, making the institution one of the premier visual arts museums in the Southeast. The Museum uses its collection to provide educational, aesthetic, intellectual, and cultural experiences for the citizens of North Carolina and beyond. The Museum offers a series of changing national touring exhibitions, classes, lectures, family activities, films, and concerts.

The North Carolina Museum of Art, Lawrence J. Wheeler, director, is located at 2110 Blue Ridge Road in Raleigh. It is the art museum of the State of North Carolina, Michael F. Easley, governor, and an agency of the Department of Cultural Resources, Lisbeth C. Evans, secretary. Museum hours are Tuesday–Thursday and Saturday, 9 a.m.–5 p.m.; Friday, 9 a.m.–9 p.m.; and Sunday, 10 a.m.–5 p.m. Closed Monday. Admission is free. For information call (919) 839-NCMA or visit the NCMA's Web site at [www.ncartmuseum.org](http://www.ncartmuseum.org).