

TOURS AND RESOURCES

For more about Museum programs, check the information screens in East Building's Entrance Lobby, or visit ncartmuseum.org.

FREE PUBLIC TOURS

No reservations needed. Please meet your guide at the West Building Information Desk.

Explore the Collection

Tuesday–Sunday 1:30 PM, Saturday and Sunday 11:30 AM and 1:30 PM

Discover hidden treasures, works by famous artists, and fun facts about the Museum in this introductory tour.

Weekend Family-Friendly Tours

Saturday and Sunday 10:30 AM

Half-hour tours for kids age 5–11 and their adult companions. Themes change monthly.

GROUP TOURS

Make reservations for paid, private Museum and Park tours and free student and youth tours at least four weeks in advance to help ensure availability. For additional information and scheduling forms, visit ncartmuseum.org/tours. Request accessibility accommodations by calling (919) 664-6778.

ASK ME DOCENTS

Ask Me docents are available to answer questions in the African Gallery (East Building) on Saturdays from 1 to 3 PM and in West Building on Sundays from 1 to 3 PM.

NCMA Learn

learn.ncartmuseum.org

An online resource designed for educators, students, and anyone interested in looking at and learning from works of art.

FOR FAMILIES

TOUR-IN-A-TOTE

Pick up a tote and encounter works of art in a kid-friendly, hands-on way. This free resource can be checked out at the West Building Information Desk. (Available in English and Spanish.)

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WHAT'S IN THE BOX? ACTIVITY CARDS

For ages 2 to 5. Explore art through six themes: animals, people, places, seasons/nature, movement, and parts of art. Available in East Building Education Gallery. (Available in English and Spanish.)

TAKE A CLOSER LOOK AFRICAN ART FAMILY GUIDE

Discover patterns, materials, and animals in African art. This free resource and a pencil can be picked up at the entrance to the African Gallery in East Building. (Available in English and Spanish.)

PARK PACKS

A free, lending resource for families to explore areas of the Museum Park together through interactive prompts. Borrow at the Box Office in East Building. Recommended for pre-K–elementary. (Available in English and Spanish.)

VISITOR GUIDELINES

Please do not touch the works of art, as natural oils from hands and fingers can significantly damage these treasured objects. Thanks for your cooperation.

Check large items and bags at the coat lockers behind the Information Desk in either building. Strollers are welcome in the Museum; however, their use may be restricted near fragile art or in busy galleries.

No food, beverage, candy, or gum in the galleries.

Sketching is permitted in all galleries except select exhibitions. Sketching permits can be obtained at the information desks.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Still photography of the permanent collection is permitted on condition the photographs are for personal, noncommercial use. Share your photographs of our permanent collection on social media with hashtag #NCMAgram, and tag @ncartmuseum.

Photography of special exhibitions is not permitted, with some exceptions. Tripods, monopods, and video cameras are prohibited. The use of selfie sticks is prohibited in all galleries and during performances in the outdoor amphitheater.

Commercial photography is not allowed except in special circumstances. Additionally, the Museum may photograph or video some gallery tours and campus events for archival or promotional use. Visit ncartmuseum.org/guidelines to read more about these policies.

WI-FI AND MOBILE APP

We provide free Wi-Fi access via the [ncartmuseum](http://ncartmuseum.org) network, sponsored by celito.net. Visitors can also access free, themed audio tours of the permanent collection by visiting ncartmuseum.org/mobile. To access the mobile tour in Spanish, change the language on your phone to Spanish and refresh the browser.

MUSEUM PARK

The 164-acre Ann and Jim Goodnight Museum Park is among the largest art museum parks in the world. Its three miles of recreational trails connect to the Capital Area Greenway's 100+ mile system. Discover dramatic sculptures by riding bicycles, wandering along paths through a forest or meadow, or walking dogs (on leash). The Park is open every day, dawn to dusk.

AMPHITHEATER

The Joseph M. Bryan, Jr., Theater in the Museum Park was designed by artist Barbara Kruger, with architects and landscape architects. As a functional work of art, it is a unique performing arts and film venue. Each summer it hosts an outdoor performance series—an eclectic blend of shows to suit every age and taste, from the best in popular music and family entertainment to blockbuster movies under the stars. Picnics are welcome and food service is available during events. Visit ncartmuseum.org to see the schedule.

EAST BUILDING

East Building is the site of the African collection, special temporary exhibitions, our seasonal film series, additional contemporary galleries, and the Art Reference Library. In the Entrance Lobby, you'll find the Information Desk and the Box Office, open during Museum hours.

LEVEL A

EXHIBITION GALLERY

VIDEO GALLERY

AFRICAN GALLERY

Spanning 16 centuries, the African collection highlights the continent's creativity through gold and regalia, masquerade, ceramics, textiles, and modern and contemporary art. The gallery also features a hands-on learning space that invites visitors of all ages to explore how artists make many African textiles.

EDUCATION GALLERY

The North Carolina GlaxoSmithKline Foundation Education Gallery showcases artwork by North Carolina students of all ages. Shows rotate throughout the year.

AUDITORIUM AND EDUCATION STUDIOS

In addition to lectures, engaging slide presentations, and chamber music concerts, the SECU Auditorium is home to annual spring, fall, and winter film series. An induction loop is provided for hearing-aid users. Workshops and education programs are held in Duke Energy Education Studio 1 and Studio 2.

LEVEL B

EXHIBITION GALLERIES

Tour a special exhibition in one of our galleries devoted to temporary shows.

LEVEL C

BLUE RIDGE ATRIUM

This space is used for Museum programs and exhibition-related activities. It may also be rented for corporate and community meetings and special events at (919) 664-6839.

SECU DISTANCE LEARNING CENTER

This space is equipped with the latest technology to share the Museum's programs and resources with audiences across the state and beyond.

LEVEL O

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE LEVEL

ART REFERENCE LIBRARY

Tuesday–Friday 10 AM–4 PM

In addition to serving the research needs of the NCMA staff, the Art Reference Library is open to the public. Its vast collection of over 40,000 fine-art books, catalogues, and art-related periodicals is noncirculating; visitors may browse open stacks and use reference materials during Library hours.

We can't do it without YOU

Your support keeps the Museum open and free for all visitors. Give today via the donation box in either building.

Become a Museum member to enjoy free admission to special exhibitions and discounts on most tickets. Visit the Box Office or donation and membership desk in West Building for more information.

MUSEUM AND BOX OFFICE

Tuesday–Thursday, Saturday–Sunday 10 AM–5 PM, Friday 10 AM–9 PM

(919) 839-NCMA

Box Office (919) 715-5923

Membership Department

(919) 664-6754

Museum Park

OPEN EVERY DAY, DAWN TO DUSK

Museum Store

OPEN DURING MUSEUM HOURS

(919) 664-6784

Iris Restaurant

Tuesday–Saturday 11:30 AM–2 PM, Friday 5:30–8:30 PM

Sunday 10:30 AM–2:30 PM

Reservations (919) 664-6838

NORTH CAROLINA MUSEUM OF ART

2110 Blue Ridge Road, Raleigh, NC 27607

ncartmuseum.org



VISITOR GUIDE

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North Carolina Museum of Art

The NCMA is an agency of the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, Susi H. Hamilton, secretary.

WELCOME TO THE NORTH CAROLINA MUSEUM OF ART

This is a museum where you can find your own place—in contemplative spaces; lively, engaging tours; performing arts; family festivals; special exhibitions; Park adventures; and so much more. We invite you to create your own captivating experience each time you visit.

ACCESSIBILITY

Wheelchairs and rollators are available at the information desks. Family restrooms are available. Assistive listening devices are available for lectures, gallery talks, and tours. To request a sign language interpreter or tours for people with vision loss, call (919) 664-6778. An induction loop is in the SECU Auditorium for hearing-aid users. Noise-cancelling headphones are available at the Box Office. For general accessibility inquiries, call Visitor Services: (919) 664-6743.

WEST BUILDING

Home of the NCMA's permanent collection, West Building also houses Iris restaurant, Sip coffee bar, the Museum Store, and the Rodin Court and Garden. You may ask questions and pick up Museum schedules at the information desks in both West and East buildings.

PERMANENT COLLECTION

In beautiful day-lit galleries, explore ancient Egyptian artifacts and renowned European Old Master paintings, classical and Judaic works of art, and innovative contemporary art—all part of the international collection of one of the premier cultural institutions in the Southeast.

RODIN COURT AND GARDEN

The Southeast's largest collection of sculpture by Auguste Rodin is presented in the Iris and B. Gerald Cantor Court and Garden. The garden offers a restful oasis and an opportunity for reflection on the remarkable work of one of the greatest sculptors of the human form.

MUSEUM STORE

OPEN DURING MUSEUM HOURS

After exploring the wonders of the NCMA, take home a treasure for yourself or those on your gift list. The Museum Store features unique jewelry, glass, books, cards, scarves, prints, and commissioned works created solely for the NCMA by local and international designers and artisans. You can also shop online at ncartmuseum.org/store.

IRIS RESTAURANT

Reservations (919) 664-6838

Open for lunch, weekend brunch, and Iris after Dark on Friday nights.

Dine casually on fresh, innovative cuisine in a contemporary atmosphere. Chef Andy Hicks specializes in seasonal fare, using many local ingredients to create classic dishes with a surprising southern twist. It's the perfect way to sip, satisfy, and socialize before an evening concert, film, or exhibition visit.

SIP COFFEE BAR

Tuesday–Sunday 10 AM–4:30 PM

Serving hot coffee, cold drinks, grab-and-go-meals, pastries, and snacks. Adjacent to the Museum Store in West Building.

