

# **MEYERHOFF-BECKER CURATORIAL FELLOWSHIP**

Applications now open for the next Robert E. Meyerhoff and Rheda Becker Curatorial Fellowship Hiring Process: March 2024 – May 2024 Application deadline: April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Fellowship term: September 2024 – September 2025 Hiring Manager: Jessica Bell Brown, Curator and Department Head of Contemporary Art

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### **Overview**

The Baltimore Museum of Art (BMA) announces the next cycle of the Meyerhoff-Becker Curatorial Fellowship, a year-long residency program, based in Baltimore, MD. The selected Fellow will receive a full-time residency and a \$42,500 USD salary with benefits. Applicants who come from groups historically underrepresented in the museum field are strongly encouraged to apply.

The Fellowship will act as a career catalyst, providing a singular experience in exhibition making for emerging professionals. The Fellow will work closely with the Contemporary Department on the third annual Robert E. Meyerhoff and Rheda Becker Biennial Commission, which invites internationally renowned contemporary artists to make transformative works of art for the BMA's most accessible public spaces. Past Commissions have included Mickalene Thomas (*A Moment's Pleasure*, 2020) and Raul di Nieves (*And imagine you are here*, 2023).

### The Robert E. Meyerhoff and Rheda Becker Biennial Commission

The Meyerhoff-Becker Biennial Commission presents major works by internationally established artists in the BMA's most public and welcoming space. It seeks to make the leading edge of contemporary art accessible and engaging to diverse audiences, providing an entry way to art for all.

## The Robert E. Meyerhoff and Rheda Becker Curatorial Fellowship and the BMA Mission

Established in concert with and in complement to the Biennial Commission, the Fellowship is intended to act as a pipeline for talented post-graduate professionals, with three to five years of museum experience. The Fellow will be involved with all aspects of exhibition realization and programming. The Fellow will have the opportunity to receive direct mentorship from senior Museum staff, propose and support collection rotations, and engage with Baltimore's vibrant arts ecology, while working to interpret newly commissioned work by prominent contemporary artists in the BMA's public spaces.

The Baltimore Museum of Art connects art to Baltimore and Baltimore to the world, embodying a commitment to artistic excellence and social equity in every decision form art presentation, interpretation, and collecting, to the composition of our Board of Trustees, staff and volunteers – creating a museum welcoming to all.

The Fellowship is open to applicants residing anywhere in the world but please note the BMA is not able to sponsor a VISA for this position. Applicants must have completed a graduate or professionally accredited degree. Candidates are asked to submit a CV, a letter of interest, and a recent writing sample.

- Provide clerical, administrative, and other support, including but not limited to exhibition checklist development and management, PowerPoint presentations, loan requests, curatorial statements and artwork labels
- Assist with cataloguing objects in collections management database (The Museum System) with impeccable accuracy; generating custom checklists and reports
- Assist with maintaining project calendar acting as interdepartmental liaison, organizing logistics and agendas for department meetings, taking minutes, and circulating updates
- Support publication and label production by formatting checklists and object labels to meet each use and, facilitating the routing of publications and collateral material for review and approvals
- As needed, manage project-related logistical e-mail correspondence
- Assist with travel arrangements and related project budget tracking, expense reporting, and payment requests

## QUALIFICATIONS

- Bachelor's degree, Master's preferred but not required, and demonstrated study of art history, arts administration, or museum studies or equivalent professional experience.
- Introductory knowledge of museum field practices highly preferred.
- Well-organized self-starter, detail oriented, and demonstrating excellent planning and implementation skills.
- Superb research and written communication skills are required, along with the ability to function in a fast-paced environment within a team.
- Ability to conduct deadline-oriented rigorous, independent research.

- Ability to work proactively, collaboratively, and enthusiastically with internal departments and external parties.
- Must be able to track and meet multiple deadlines.
- Exemplary interpersonal and written communication skills.
- Sound judgment, discretion, and diplomacy.
- Experience with The Museum System (TMS) or equivalent object management database preferred.
- Demonstrated commitment to the Museum's mission and vision.

## BENEFITS

The BMA is an equal opportunity employer, and all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability status, protected veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by law. We are committed to building a culturally diverse staff and strongly encourage all qualified professionals to apply.

We offer a competitive salary and a generous benefits package. For this fellowship we offer medical, dental, vision, prescription, 403b retirement plan, long term disability, flexible spending account, museum and restaurant discounts, and reduced fee gym membership. We also offer accrued vacation, holidays, personal days, floating holidays, and sick days.

### APPLY

Research shows that women and individuals from underrepresented backgrounds often apply to positions only if they meet 100% of the qualifications. We recognize that it is highly unlikely that an applicant meets 100% of the qualifications for a given role. Therefore, if much of this posting describes you, then you are highly encouraged to apply for this role.

Please send cover letter, CV/resume, and writing sample via email to **rsanchez@artbma.org** with **"Meyerhoff Becker Fellowship" Last Name and First Name** in the subject line.

Application deadline: April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Incomplete application materials will not be accepted.

No phone calls please.