



**MULVANE ART MUSEUM
AT WASHBURN UNIVERSITY, TOPEKA, KS**


The mission of the Mulvane Art Museum at Washburn University is to provide members of the Washburn community, Topeka residents and visitors to the capital district of Kansas an arena in which they can learn to think independently and critically about art, to appreciate art as a vehicle for communicating human values, and to value the diversity of human creativity.



Jaune Quick-to-See Smith
Ode to Chief Seattle

Exhibitions and Permanent Collection

The Mulvane Art Museum houses a collection of more than 3,500 objects including paintings, prints, drawings, sculptures, photographs and decorative arts. We are a comprehensive museum with works ranging from Japanese prints to Pre-Columbian sculptures and from Old Master prints to contemporary American artists.



Entrance to the Museum,
tours and the
ArtLab are free of charge.

Education

We take a contemporary approach to art education that integrates the talents and experiences of working artists in traditional and non-traditional classrooms to fuse imagination, creativity, inspiration, instruction and learning.



On-site (In-house) Education



Cathy Broski
If You Never Go, You Will Never Know

Guided Tours And Field Trips



The Mulvane's Art In School was the only art education that my children received during the year. They loved it. I also like finishing the year with a trip to the Mulvane and ArtLab.
~ Classroom Teacher



The Mulvane provides bus reimbursement for school groups who visit the Museum and **ArtLab!**

In our guided tours, we concentrate on a few specific works of art to:

- Give viewers the time to critically and creatively think about each work of art
- Compare, contrast and connect works of art
- Develop and discuss a variety of interpretations
- Share **thoughts** and inspirations
- Ask questions and offer answers
- We offer several tour models and educational strategies—combining them according to the needs of our guests. These include Visual Thinking Strategies and Aesthetic Scanning and innovative and dynamic tour strategies



ARTLAB Experiences

ArtLab, opened in 2006, is an interactive art education center that unites hands-on art activities with gallery experiences while teaching the basics of art.

In the Museum's on-site ArtLab, children explore art, engage in creativity, and gain art appreciation by accessing a wide variety of processes—drawing, painting, printmaking and mixed media—throughout the year.

Under the banner of *Look, Create, Understand*, ArtLab includes art-making activities that tie to our exhibitions and hands-on experiences that form the foundation in basic art principles and elements. Through ArtLab, participants comprehend art as a tool for communication and expand their visual literacy. In ArtLab, people have time to gain a deeper understanding of the arts.

Staff members and professional educators guide visitors through ArtLab—including the Cave Art area and giant Contour Drawing Wall—and teach special activities.

We include public hours, scheduled group visits, family and community days, guest artist presentations and special events.



Look! Create! Understand!

For people of all ages!

Located in the ArtLab, our **Resource Library** offers periodicals, artist and art history books, art reproductions, art curriculum resources and lesson plans available to the teaching community, students, university and our constituents.

The Mulvane Art Museum provides cross-curricular resource guides on our website for educators featuring works from the Mulvane's Permanent Collection.





The impact of visual arts on developing young minds carries over into all other areas of education and can have lasting effects on their quality of life as well.

~ Classroom Teacher

Family Days

Lectures

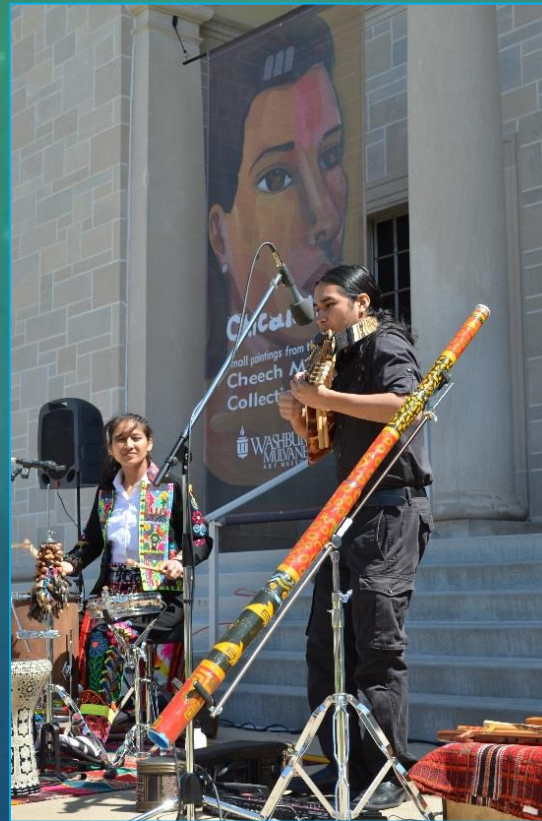
Presentations

Music

Films

Brown Bags

Artist Talks!



Professional Teacher In-services



Classes for people of all ages



We offer classes in traditional media
and special topics in the
Winter, Spring Summer and Fall!

Art & Wellness

Participants meet at the Mulvane Art Museum each week to create art and share the joy of creativity.

Since 2007, the Mulvane has partnered with St. Francis to offer the Art & Wellness Program. Sponsored by St. Francis Health Center and St. Francis Foundation.





Community Outreach

The Museum Art Museum remains free of charge to the community because we know that economic factors limit access to visual arts education for many people. A diverse population of both budding and established artists participate in our community educational programs.

Brewster Place

In partnership with Brewster Place and the Brewster Place Foundation, we provide participants monthly art classes with an emphasis on creative exploration.



TARC

Twice a week, an artist-educator from the Mulvane presents art lessons at TARC! Sponsored in partnership with TARC, participants experiment with traditional and non-traditional media to discover and practice their artistic skills!

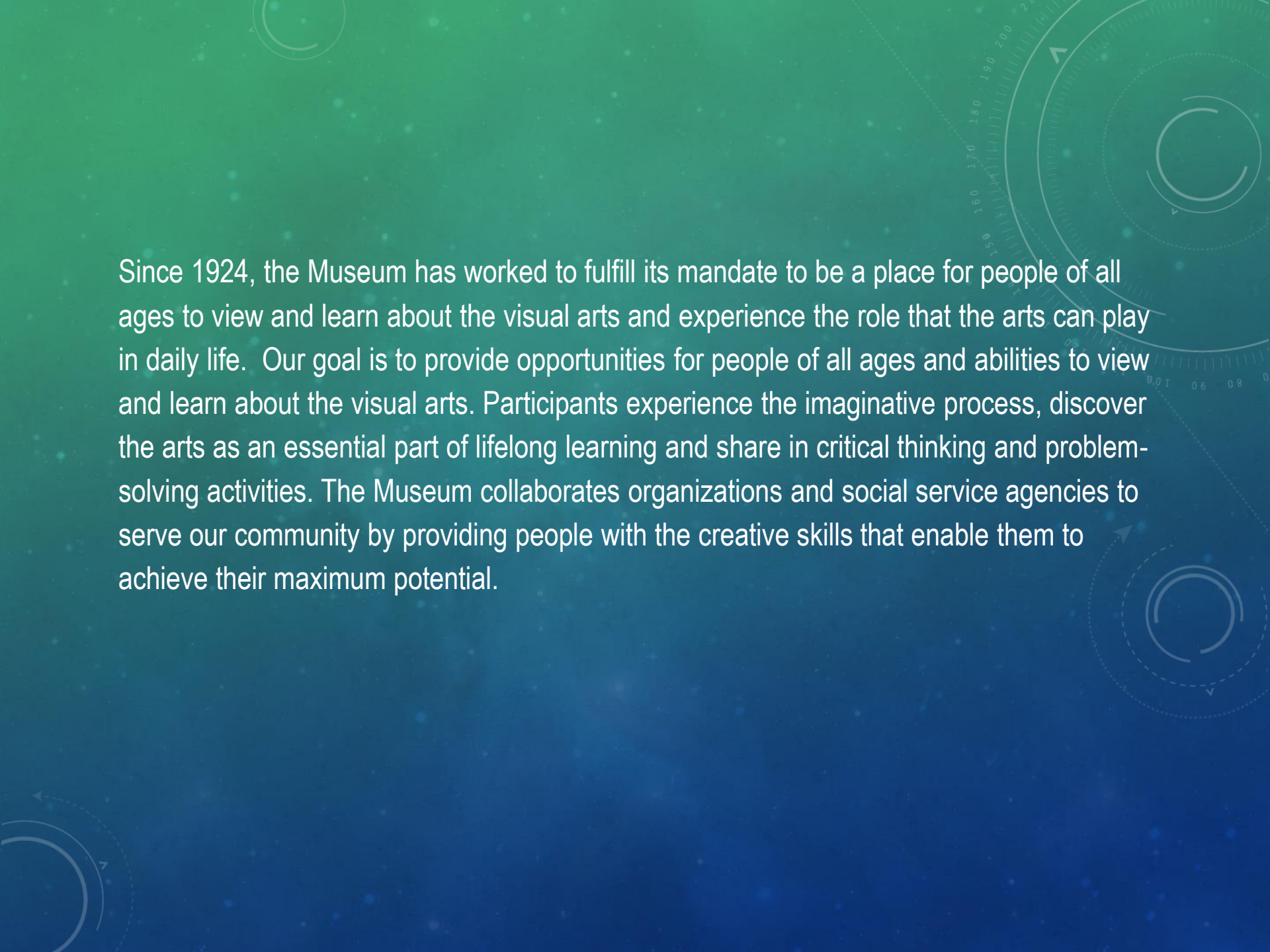


ART AFTER SCHOOL (AAS)

Artist and educators visit after school programs in schools and social service organizations to bring sequential art lessons and activities to more than 700 children in the Topeka area.

It's the most important that we get to make our own choices, because each person has their own feelings, thoughts and ideas. ~ Student



The background features a gradient from green at the top to blue at the bottom. It is decorated with faint, semi-transparent circular patterns, including a large scale on the right side with numerical markings from 0 to 200, and several smaller circular motifs with arrows and dashed lines.

Since 1924, the Museum has worked to fulfill its mandate to be a place for people of all ages to view and learn about the visual arts and experience the role that the arts can play in daily life. Our goal is to provide opportunities for people of all ages and abilities to view and learn about the visual arts. Participants experience the imaginative process, discover the arts as an essential part of lifelong learning and share in critical thinking and problem-solving activities. The Museum collaborates organizations and social service agencies to serve our community by providing people with the creative skills that enable them to achieve their maximum potential.