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**New Orleans Museum of Art Receives Decorative Arts Trust Curatorial Internship Grant**  
*— Grant Supports Prominent Fellowship Position for Young Scholar —*

Media, PA — The Decorative Arts Trust is pleased to announce that the New Orleans Museum of Art (NOMA) will serve as our 2022–2024 Curatorial Internship Grant partner.

The Decorative Arts Trust is a nonprofit organization that underwrites curatorial internships for recent Masters or PhD graduates in collaboration with museums and historical societies. These internships allow host organizations to hire a deserving professional who will learn about the responsibilities and duties common to the curatorial field while working alongside a talented mentor. The Trust's internship program seeks to provide mutually beneficial opportunities that will nurture the next generation of museum curators while providing essential staffing for the host.

Founded in 1910, NOMA houses one of the nation's finest collections of glass, with more than 3,000 works dating from ancient origins to contemporary expressions. The foundational collection of the museum's decorative arts department was the expansive gift of glass given by Melvin P. Billups, a New York railroad executive with Southern roots.

The Decorative Arts Trust Curatorial Fellow will be integral to developing an exhibition and collection catalog for NOMA's important glass holdings. The fellow will work under the mentorship of Mel Buchanan, the RosaMary Curator for Decorative Arts and Design, and join a multi-disciplinary curatorial team, including Deputy Director for Curatorial Affairs Lisa Rotondo-McCord and NOMA curators in African Art, Asian Art, Modern/Contemporary Art, and Photography.

Interested scholars are encouraged to visit NOMA's website at [noma.org](http://noma.org) for updates. A call for applications will be circulated in the coming months.

For more information about Curatorial Internship Grants, visit [decorativeartstrust.org/cig](http://decorativeartstrust.org/cig).

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

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## IMAGES



Roman, *Burial Urn*, 1-99 CE. Glass. New Orleans Museum of Art, Gift of Mrs. Frederick M. Stafford in honor of the 75th Anniversary, 86.40.



Lupin Foundation Decorative Arts Galleries, New Orleans Museum of Art. 2018 installation.