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MEMORANDUM

November 8, 2011

TO: HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

FROM: Karen Rosner
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RE: Museum Experience Program for High School Sophomores and Juniors

The School Art League, in collaboration with the Office of Arts and Special Projects invites sophomores and juniors, interested in the arts and humanities to participate in The Museum Experience. This free program gives students a rare opportunity to get a behind-the-scenes look at New York City's world-class museums, and learn how these cultural institutions help us reflect on the past, value the present, anticipate the future, and remind us of our shared humanity.

Students will meet staff who will share "the back story" of exhibitions, give personalized gallery talks, and discuss career opportunities. Three New York City cultural institutions will host a select group of students on a designated day **during each of the school breaks:**

New-York Historical Society	December 28, 2011
Rubin Museum of Art	February 22, 2012
The Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum	April 11, 2012

Each three- hour workshop is based on the museum's unique collection and includes:

- Small group guided visits to galleries
- Conversations with curators and other museum staff
- Summer, after-school, and career opportunities
- Creative response activities
- Free passes for future visits
- Refreshments

Students are expected to attend all three workshops. Enrollment is limited to 30.
For more information contact krosner@schools.nyc.gov

C: Paul King
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Attachment: The Museum Experience Program Application Guidelines

Museum Experience Program- Application Guidelines for High Schools
Response Due Date: Friday December 2, 2011

The Museum Experience Program Application Guidelines

The Museum Experience Program, a collaboration between the New York City Department of Education and the School Art League, offers a group of 30 students a behind-the-scenes look at three unique Manhattan cultural institutions, **during school breaks**. Museum curators and educators will lead the workshops; trustees of the School Art League will assist.

New-York Historical Society

170 Central Park West at 77th Street

December 28, 2011

10:00AM-1:00PM

The Historical Society, New York's oldest museum, is celebrating its grand re-opening! Beautiful new galleries make history come alive. The museum's treasure trove of art and objects tells a story about America and our city.

Want to know more? Take a look at www.nyhistory.org.

Rubin Museum of Art

150 West 17th Street

February 22, 2012

10:00AM-1:00PM

This jewel of a museum holds one of the world's most important collections of art from the Himalayas and India. Learn how the objects in the Rubin Museum reflect the cultures of India, Mongolia, and China, and how they connect to other world cultures. Familiarize yourself with this matchless museum by viewing www.rmanyc.org.

Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum

1071 Fifth Avenue at 89th Street

April 11, 2012

10:00AM-1:00PM

This world famous museum is devoted to 20th Century and contemporary art. Designed by Frank Lloyd Wright, the building is an iconic architectural landmark. There are surprises around every turn. Take a preview tour at www.guggenheim.org.

STUDENTS:

Complete and submit the online application by DECEMBER 2, 2011.

To access the application, copy and paste the website into your address bar.

<http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/WEB22DLXFW7WR5/>