

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Faculty Workshop
Talking through Artworks: Teaching Speech and Oral Presentation in the Museum
Sponsored by the Bowdoin College Museum of Art, Bowdoin Center for Teaching and Learning,
and Colby College Museum of Art
Location: Bowdoin College Museum of Art
June 1, 2016, 9:30 am--3:30 pm

Overview

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Faculty from Bowdoin College and Colby College are invited to participate in a workshop designed to develop innovative teaching strategies that assist students in delivering oral presentations and improving verbal communication skills. As an environment that encourages dialogue and open discussion, the art museum serves as an ideal venue to examine how students can move from the visual, to the textual, to the verbal, while working with their peers to improve rhetorical methods. This workshop will provide faculty with the tools to improve the depth of engagement with and overall flow of ideas among their students, and provide students with skills valuable within and beyond the classroom.

Topics will include:

- Rhetorical devices and persuasion
- Pedagogical strategies to integrate oral presentations into your syllabus
- Modeling rhetorical delivery and feedback

Workshop facilitators: Shalini LeGall, Curator of Academic Programs, Colby College Museum of Art; Meredith McCarroll, Director of Writing and Rhetoric, Bowdoin College; and Ellen Tani, Andrew W. Mellon Postdoctoral Curatorial Fellow, Bowdoin College Museum of Art.

Eligibility and selection criteria: Faculty from all academic disciplines in both colleges are eligible to apply. Please note that space is limited due to museum and gallery restrictions. Successful applicants will exhibit a strong commitment to integrating the Museum's resources with their course offerings. Faculty newly exploring ways to teach with the Museum's collection are particularly encouraged to apply.

Stipend: Participating faculty will receive a stipend for curriculum development of \$200.

To apply: Please send your name and position title with a statement of no more than 250 words explaining how attendance at this workshop could enhance your teaching to Shalini Le Gall (slegall@colby.edu) by **Friday, May 6th at 5:00pm**.

For further information: Please contact Shalini Le Gall (207-859-5622, slegall@colby.edu).