



KIRKLAND MUSEUM OF FINE & DECORATIVE ART ANNOUNCES REOPENING

Museum reopens to members Aug. 11 and general public Aug. 18

Denver, August 6, 2020 – Kirkland Museum of Fine & Decorative Art announces reopening dates, welcoming visitors back to enjoy one of Denver’s favorite museums. The week beginning Tuesday, Aug. 11 is reserved for museum members. The museum reopens to the general public on Tuesday, Aug. 18.

“We are excited to welcome guests back into the galleries!” states Founding Director & Curator Hugh Grant. “With our new safety procedures in place we know the museum experience will feel a little different than before. We want to keep everyone as protected as possible and we are confident visitors will still be dazzled by seeing our 4,400 artworks on view from a collection of over 30,000.”

In order to comply with city and state mandates, the following safety measures are now in place to visit Kirkland Museum:

- Timed tickets may be purchased [online](#) in advance of visits with a limit of four parties per 15-minute time slot.
- All Kirkland Museum brochures and gallery guides may now be accessed [online](#).
- All staff and visitors are required to wear face coverings and to maintain social distancing between groups.

Also, cleaning is enhanced throughout the museum and touchless hand sanitizer dispensers are available for guest use. Read Kirkland Museum [ticketing page](#) and [Visitor FAQs](#) for more information and further visitation guidelines.

“The unexpected temporary closure gave Kirkland Museum staff the opportunity to provide our audience a [museum-from-home experience](#) with compelling digital content,” says Associate Museum Director Renée Albiston. “But as Hugh likes to say, more is more! We’re thrilled to see guests return to the galleries as they discover more gems among our collection.”

Kirkland Museum has three principal collections, all shown together in salon style, allowing visitors to time travel through about 150 years of art. The evolving collections contain over 30,000 works by more than 1,500 artists and designers. The collections

are: international decorative art from about 1870 to the present, with examples of every major design period from Arts & Crafts through Postmodern; a retrospective of Colorado painter Vance Kirkland (1904–1981) and the work of other Colorado and regional artists.

For more information, please visit kirklandmuseum.org. A digital press kit is available at kirklandmuseum.org/about-us/press/.

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About Kirkland Museum of Fine & Decorative Art:

Kirkland Museum is dedicated to enriching lives by presenting art and design in a unique and approachable way. The Museum is rediscovering, documenting, collecting, preserving and exhibiting works from over 150 years, beginning in the mid-19th century, of Colorado's distinguished art history, international decorative art and the works of Vance Kirkland (1904–1981). The Museum serves the general public and scholars through exhibitions, the loan of works and public programs.