# Treasures of Asian Art in Detroit and Ann Arbor May 16 – 21, 2022



Robert and Katherine Jacobs Asian Wing, eight newly expanded galleries at Detroit Institute of Arts

Join the Society for Asian Art for five nights and four days exploring Asian art in the Detroit area. We will enjoy private curator-led tours of stunning, world class Asian art at the Detroit Institute of Arts and the University of Michigan Museum of Art in Ann Arbor. Our trip will also include visits to two renowned private collections, one in Detroit and one in Ann Arbor as well as a visit to the Detroit studio of contemporary artist Neha Vedpathak a rising star on the art scene.

# Our Tour in Brief – Full Itinerary April 2022

## DAY 1: Monday, May 16

Arrive at Detroit Metropolitan Airport and transfer to the hotel independently.

Check in at the Foundation Hotel located in the heart of vibrant, renovated downtown Detroit. Recently opened, our hotel was the city's former Fire Department Headquarters and today presents guests with a remarkable mix of iconic design and modern luxury. Complimentary Wi-Fi, 24-hour fitness center. Continental Breakfast is included daily.





Foundation Hotel 250 West Larned Street, Detroit 48226

Phone: (313) 800-5500 www.detroitfoundationhotel.com Evening, Welcome Reception.

Dinner on your own. A list of restaurant options will be provided.

#### DAY 2: Tuesday, May 17

Morning, Eleanor and Edsel Ford House and Garden. Our private tour of the mansion highlights the Ford's deep love for art and design, and their impressive personal collection of art and antiques. The home remains as it was when they lived in it though originals of many paintings donated to Detroit Institute of Art have been replaced by high quality reproductions. The grounds, gardens, and lakeside landscapes – 87 acres -- are noted for their beautiful Spring blossoms. Thirty-minute commute on private motor coach.

Lunch on your own. Choose from lakeside dining at The Continental, or the more casual grab and go café. www.fordhouse.org



Afternoon, visit a renowned private collection of Japanese prints. Our bus will take us to our host's home and return us to our hotel after our visit.

#### DAY 3: Wednesday, May 18

Enjoy a full day at Detroit Institute of Arts. The DIA is one of the largest and most significant art collections in the United States with more than 100 galleries and more than 65,000 objects. It has been well endowed by collectors with fortunes from the automotive industry and is ranked one of the top six art museums in the country.



Morning, private tour of eight newly expanded galleries in the Robert and Katherine Jacobs Asian Wing led by DIA's Associate Curator of Arts of Asia and the Islamic World. Works span thousands of years up to the present day in galleries of Japanese, Chinese, Korean, and Indian and Southeast Asian art, as well as a gallery for Buddhist art across Asia.



"Early Autumn," signed Qian Xuan, late 1200s-1300s, Ink and watercolor on paper.





Chinese Lion Head, 1000-1127, Iron.

Lunch on your own at one of DIA's restaurants.

Afternoon, private tour of Diego Rivera's masterpiece the Detroit Industry Murals 1932-33. Twenty-seven fresco panels surround the interior Rivera Court. The artist considered these works among his finest.



After the tours explore the magnificent DIA. www.dia.org

### DAY 4: Thursday, May 19

Enjoy a full day in Ann Arbor. Forty-five-minute commute on private motor coach.

Morning, our private tour of University of Michigan Museum of Art Asian collection led by curator of Asian Art.

UMMA is noted for its Japanese painting collection which will be the focus of our tour. The museum is home to the largest collection of Asian art in the state of Michigan.



Courtesan in Procession, Kitagawa Utamaro, 1793–1795, ink, white pigment, and red color on paper.





Our tour will include a visit to the Asian Art Conservation Laboratory to learn about conservation techniques and view some of the current conservation projects.

# https://umma.umich.edu/the-collection

Lunch near the museum on your own. A restaurant list will be provided. Afternoon, visit a private collection of Japanese and Chinese ceramics.

#### DAY 5: Friday, May, 20

Morning, visit the studio of contemporary Detroit-based artist Neha Vedpathak. Vedpathak is a multidisciplinary artist renowned for her inventive and original process-based practice and deep connection to her materials. She has had featured exhibitions in the Czech Republic, India, Canada, France, Greece, and the United States. Neha explores the idea of resilience as a common ground between India and Detroit.





#### www.nehavedpathak.com

Afternoon, visit The Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History. Detroit is rich in African American history. Many galleries enable us to find out more about the fascinating past and special exhibitions highlight African Americans' contributions to art, music, and Detroit's automotive history.

www.thewright.org





Rejoice. Relive. Reconnect.

Evening, Farewell Dinner, our own private space at Highlands Restaurant, on the 71st & 72nd floors of the Renaissance Center.

Great views, Great food!!





DAY 6: Saturday, May, 21

The tour officially ends.

Participants arrange their own travel including airport transfers.

#### Optional On Your Own:

Consider strolling the Detroit River Walk a scenic walk along three and a half miles of riverfront featuring scenic parks, unique restaurants, and a variety of attractions and plazas. Visit the Guardian and Fisher buildings which are famous for their gorgeous art deco style. These attractions are within walking distance from our hotel which provides maps and handouts at the front desk. Or consider booking an evening performance at the magnificently restored, art deco Fox Theater.





#### **Tour Details**

Tour price per person, based on double occupancy: \$1,350

Single supplement: \$670

Pre- or post-tour extra night, per room \$260

Spiekermann Travel reserves the right to make comparable changes to ensure quality and excellence.

#### **INCLUDED**

- Accommodations for five nights at Foundation Hotel in Detroit.
- Complimentary WIFI internet access, use of 24-hour exercise studio at the hotel
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary include breakfast daily, one welcome reception and one farewell dinner including wine.
- Curators and guides as indicated in the itinerary.
- Entrances to all sites featured in the itinerary

#### **EXCLUDED:**

- Travel expenses including airfare to/from Detroit.
- Airport transfers to / from the hotel.
- Housekeeping gratuities (\$3 per room per day is suggested)
- Transportation by taxi, Uber/Lyft, or public transportation to, from and between sites.
- Meals and beverages not otherwise included.
- Items for personal use, including phone and fax charges, minibar, and laundry services.
- Tickets to any events or performances not otherwise included.

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# TOUR RESERVATION & BOOKING FORM

For Society for Asian Art - DETROIT & ANN ARBOR TOUR (May 16 - May 21, 2022)

PLEASE COMPLETE, SIGN, DATE & RETURN BY EMAIL OR FAX

Please note that you must be a member of the Society for Asian Art to go on this trip. If you are not a member, you may join or renew at the SAA website, <u>www.societyforasianart.org/membership</u>.

Applications will be accepted by mail only and inclusion in the trip will be based on the postmark date.

Traveler #1 Last Name:	Traveler #2 Last Name:	
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	Date	

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- 2. Aside from the above penalties, any additional penalties on airline tickets imposed by the airlines- in cases of cancellation or date changes after issuance of tickets will be totally charged to the traveler.
- 3. Hotel rooms booked on our tours are run of The House (ROH), any special rooms with views or upper floors will entail a supplement that clients will be responsible to cover.

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