

THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

Kress Foundation Department of Art History

Judith Harris Murphy Distinguished Professor in Art History

(Open specialization)

Nominations and applications are invited for this endowed chair. The Murphy Professor will join a large and diversified department with an established PhD program and rich undergraduate curriculum. The University of Kansas, with more than 27,000 students and 1,500 faculty on the Lawrence campus, is the major educational and research institution in the state. The university has a full complement of 15 art and architectural historians in Asian and Western art. Endowments support active visiting lecturer programs, teaching initiatives, and research travel for faculty and doctoral candidates. The department is located in the Spencer Museum of Art, the collections and exhibitions of which provide a foundation for introductory and graduate course work. The Murphy Library of Art and Architecture, with holdings of over 170,000 volumes, and a large visual resources collection offer essential support of research and instruction.

The Murphy Professor will exercise leadership in research, teach undergraduate and graduate courses, and supervise theses and dissertations. S/he is expected to promote interaction among scholars in related fields and to provide service to the department, the university and the profession. The position will be awarded with tenure and is endowed with substantial research support; a reduced teaching load is expected to yield substantial and continuing research productivity.

The search is open to any art historical specialization. Candidates should have a distinguished international reputation for research and publication in their area of specialization. They should be significantly engaged in other professional activities and provide evidence of outstanding teaching abilities. It is expected that candidates should be tenured professors or have equivalent credentials. Women, minorities, and candidates who will contribute to the climate of diversity in the university, including a diversity of scholarly approaches, are especially encouraged to apply.

The University of Kansas is especially interested in hiring faculty members who can contribute to four key campus-wide strategic initiatives: (1) Sustaining the Planet, Powering the World; (2) Promoting Well-Being, Finding Cures; (3) Harnessing Information, Multiplying Knowledge; and (4) Building Communities, Expanding Opportunities. See <http://www.provost.ku.edu/planning/themes/> for more information.

Salary: Commensurate with experience; substantial research support.

Starting Date: expected to begin as early as 18 August 2012

First consideration will be given to completed applications received by October 17, 2011, and will continue until the position is filled. Go to <https://jobs.ku.edu>, search for position 00003119, and complete the application. Upload cover letter, CV, and names and contact information for three references. Nominations and inquiries should be addressed to Prof. Linda Stone-Ferrier, Chair, Murphy Search Committee, Kress Foundation Department of Art History, Spencer Museum of Art #209, University of Kansas, 1301 Mississippi Street, Lawrence, KS 66045. Email: LSF@ku.edu. EO/AA Employer.