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Cincinnati Art Museum receives \$1,120,000 "Access for All" grant from Art Bridges Foundation

CINCINNATI — **October 12, 2023** — The Cincinnati Art Museum (CAM) is honored to announce that it has received an Access for All grant from <u>Art Bridges Foundation</u>. One of only 64 museums across the country to receive the inaugural award in 2023, the \$1,120,000 grant will help CAM serve new visitors and community members across Greater Cincinnati over the next three years.

Art Bridges Foundation creates and supports programs that expand access to American art in all regions across the nation. It was established in 2017 by philanthropist and arts patron, Alice Walton.

Cameron Kitchin, Louis and Louise Dieterle Nippert Director of the Cincinnati Art Museum, shares: "I am deeply grateful to the Art Bridges Foundation for its investment in the Cincinnati Art Museum. In so many ways, Alice Walton and her team's work to expand access to art through American museums is a 21st century model for innovation. She has supported fellowships, collections sharing, community building, and collaboration with strategic intent. Cincinnati's broad community value for the arts is now expanded even further with Art Bridges."

The grant funding will support the operations and marketing of several new museum efforts, including a sprinter van that will serve as a mobile gallery and art-making studio that staff can take to schools, community events and festivals; its upcoming Art on the Rise series, which will feature outdoor performances on CAM's Art Climb for nearby neighborhoods; and other programs developed by the institution's community committee. In addition, the Access for All grant will fund CAM's extended Thursday hours from 5–8 p.m. and support marketing efforts for the institution.

To learn more about Art Bridges Foundation, visit <u>artbridgesfoundation.org</u>. For more information about the Access for All grants, visit <u>this page</u>.

About Art Bridges Foundation

Art Bridges Foundation is the vision of philanthropist and arts patron Alice Walton. The mission of Art Bridges is to expand access to American art in all regions across the United States. Since 2017, Art Bridges has been creating and supporting programs that bring outstanding works of American art out of storage and into communities. Art Bridges partners with a growing network of over 220 museums of all sizes and locations on nearly 700 projects across the nation, impacting over 4.1 million people, to provide financial and strategic support for exhibition development, loans from the Art Bridges Collection, and programs designed to educate, inspire, and deepen engagement with local audiences. The Art Bridges Collection represents an expanding vision of American art from the 19th century to present day and encompasses multiple media and voices. For more information, visit artbridgesfoundation.org.

About the Cincinnati Art Museum

The Cincinnati Art Museum is supported by the generosity of individuals and businesses that give annually to ArtsWave. The Ohio Arts Council helps fund the Cincinnati Art Museum with state tax dollars to encourage economic growth, educational excellence, and cultural enrichment for all Ohioans. The







Cincinnati Art Museum gratefully acknowledges operating support from the City of Cincinnati, as well as our members.

Free general admission to the Cincinnati Art Museum is made possible by a gift from the Rosenthal Family Foundation. Exhibition pricing may vary. Parking is free. <u>cincinnatiartmuseum.org</u>

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