BIRMINGHAM MUSEUM OF ART

Important information about your upcoming tour

Thank you scheduling your group tour at the Birmingham Museum of Art!

Arrival time and procedure: Museum staff and docents (tour guides) are ready to welcome your group 15 minutes before your scheduled tour time. Please meet your docent in the main lobby on the second floor. If you are running late in transit, please call the Museum's Education Department at 205.254.2571. If you are more than 20 minutes late, it is necessary to reschedule your tour.

Buses: Unload students in front of the Museum on Reverend Abraham Woods, Jr. Boulevard (formerly 8th Avenue North) across from Linn Park.

Parking: The Museum has limited parking for cars and vans. Enter the Museum's parking lot on Richard Arrington Boulevard between Reverend Abraham Woods, Jr. Boulevard and 9th Avenue North. Parking for buses is available in the 1800 block of 10th Avenue North, the 1000 block of 19th Street North, or under I-59 between 17th and 19th Streets North. Buses may park in metered or non-metered areas and may stay within the parking lines as long as they do not block other vehicles.

Accessibility and special needs: The Museum is fully accessible to all visitors. All tours can be adapted to accommodate your group. If your group has any special needs (i.e. English-language learners, disabilities), please let us know prior to your visit. For wheelchair accessibility from the main entrance on Reverend Abraham Woods, Jr. Boulevard, please follow the garden path on the left side of the Museum and enter through the parking lot entrance.

Chaperones: To help our staff and volunteers best serve your group, we advise one adult for every ten (10) K4 – 3rd grade students, and one adult for every fifteen (15) 4th – 12th grade students.

Duration of tour: Tours for K4 and kindergarten students last 45 minutes. All other tours last one hour unless otherwise arranged with the Education Department prior to your tour.

Personal comfort: To help preserve our artworks, the galleries are slightly cool. Visitors may feel more comfortable with a jacket or sweater.

Museum conduct: On the day of your visit, please follow the Museum Guidelines for Docent-Led Tours, provided by Museum staff and available at www.artsbma.org/teachers/tour-information, regarding safety and courtesy in order to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for your group.

Cameras: Teachers and students are welcome to bring cameras to document their visit, although photography is not allowed in some areas of the Museum. Please refer to the Museum's photography policy at www.artsbma.org/visit/visitor-information for more information. We ask that teachers and students refrain from taking photographs during tours.

Cell phones: Please refrain from texting or talking on cell phones during tours. This policy applies to teachers, students, and chaperones.

2000 REVEREND ABRAHAM WOODS, JR. BOULEVARD • BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA 35203
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT PHONE: 205.254.2571 • EDUCATION DEPARTMENT FAX: 205.328.7785
WEB: WWW.ARTSBMA.ORG

Lunch facilities: The Museum does not have a lunchroom facility; no food or drink is allowed in our galleries. If you need a place to eat lunch, the Charles W. Ireland Sculpture Garden at the Museum may be available, weather permitting (please discuss with Education Department staff), or Linn Park is located just across Reverend Abrahams Woods, Jr. Boulevard. For group reservations at Oscar's at the Museum, make a reservation online at www.artsbma.org/visit/oscars-reservation or call 205.328.7850.

Museum Store: During your visit, students may shop at the Museum Store. Please be aware that a maximum of 10 children with at least one adult chaperone are allowed in the Museum Store at any given time.

Cancellation policy: Your appointment is considered a firm commitment; volunteer docents are scheduled to be at the museum specifically for your tour. If it becomes necessary to cancel a scheduled tour, you must notify the Museum at least 24 hours in advance or your group will be invoiced a $50 late cancellation fee.

If you need any further information about the Museum's collection, special exhibitions, other tours, or if you have questions about your scheduled tour, please call 205.254.2571. We look forward to welcoming you to the Birmingham Museum of Art!