# Did You Know…

## Iowa State's campus can double as a free art museum?

Thousands of people walk through Iowa State's buildings and grounds every day without realizing how much art is waiting just beyond their usual route. University Museums' Art on Campus Collection places paintings, sculptures, murals, textiles, and other works throughout campus, making it possible to enjoy a quick cultural break without purchasing a ticket or even leaving the university.

University Museums offers free Art Walks that highlight different buildings, artists, themes, and parts of the collection. The guided walks are open to the public and are designed for participants with many levels of art experience—no art history background required. They can be an easy lunchtime activity, a low-cost outing with a colleague, or a creative way to introduce visiting family and friends to Iowa State.

Prefer to explore independently? Watch the University Museums calendar for exhibitions, gallery talks, and other free programs at the Brunnier Art Museum, Christian Petersen Art Museum, Farm House Museum, and campus locations. Many events are scheduled during the workday or early evening.

There is also a service opportunity behind the scenes. University Museums volunteers may help with exhibition installations, mailings, tours, and special events. Staff members who enjoy history, visual arts, public speaking, event support, or meeting new people may find a role that fits their interests and availability.

The next time you need a change of scenery, consider taking the long way back to your office and noticing the artwork around you. You may discover that one of Iowa State's most accessible cultural resources has been part of your daily surroundings all along.

**Learn more:** View University Museums events and volunteer opportunities