Public, Educational, and Scholarly Programs

Virtual Lectures, Discussions, and Symposia

**APRIL 15**
Sir Isaac Newton’s Pocket Knowledge: A Virtual Tour of a Morgan Library Notebook
Philip S. Palmer, Robert H. Taylor Curator and Department Head, Literary and Historical Manuscripts

**APRIL 22**
The Gutenberg Bible: A Virtual Tour John McQuillen, Associate Curator, Printed Books and Bindings

**APRIL 29**
Inside the Morgan: The Entrance Hall and East Room
Jennifer Tonkovich, Eugene and Clare Thaw Curator, Drawings and Prints

**MAY 6**
Musical Scripture: A Virtual Tour in Beethoven’s Workshop
Robinson McClellan, Assistant Curator, Music Manuscripts and Printed Music

**MAY 13**
Alfred Jarry: The Carnival of Being Sheelagh Bevan, Andrew W. Mellon Associate Curator, Printed Books and Bindings

**MAY 20**
The Drawings of Al Taylor: Perspectives from a Curator and a Conservator
Isabelle Dervaux, Acquavella Curator and Department Head, Modern and Contemporary Drawings
Lindsey Tyne, Associate Paper Conservator, Thaw Conservation Center

**JUNE 6**
Drawing in the Computer Age
Rachel Federman, Associate Curator, Modern and Contemporary Drawings

**JUNE 15**
The Black Hours at the Morgan Library & Museum: Perspectives from a Conservator and a Curator
Roger S. Wieck, Melvin R. Seiden Curator and Department Head, Medieval and Renaissance Manuscripts
Frank Trujillo, Drue Heinz Book Conservator, Thaw Conservation Center

**JUNE 24**
Exhibition Preview: Sublime Ideas: Drawings by Giovanni Battista Piranesi
John Marciari, Charles W. Engelhard Curator and Department Head, Drawings and Prints, and Curatorial Chair

**JUNE 17**
The History of a Medieval Masterpiece: The Lindau Gospels
Joshua O’Driscoll, Assistant Curator, Medieval and Renaissance Manuscripts

**JULY 1**
Ray Johnson and Photography: A Conversation
Joel Smith, Richard L. Menschel Curator and Department Head, Photography

**JULY 15**
Rembrandt at the Morgan
Austeja Mackelaite, Annette and Oscar de la Renta Assistant Curator, Drawings and Prints

**JULY 22**
Alfred Jarry: The Carnival of Being Sheelagh Bevan, Andrew W. Mellon Associate Curator, Printed Books and Bindings

**JULY 29**
Rolling Stones: Looking at Ancient Mesopotamian Cylinder Seals
Sidney Babcock, Jeannette and Jonathan Rosen Curator and Department Head, Ancient Western Asian Seals and Tablets

**AUGUST 12**
A Millennium of Music at the Morgan
Robinson McClellan, Assistant Curator, Music Manuscripts and Printed Music

**AUGUST 19**
A Master’s Techniques Revealed: A Conservator’s Study of Gainsborough Drawings
Reba Fishman Snyder, Paper Conservator, Thaw Conservation Center

**SEPTEMBER 2**
Where in the World Is Jean-Jacques Lequeu? Meredith Martin, Associate Professor of Art History, New York University

**SEPTEMBER 17**
Renoir and the Nude
Colin B. Bailey, Director of the Morgan Library & Museum

**SEPTEMBER 23**
Morganmobile: In Conversation Joshua O’Driscoll, Assistant Curator, Medieval and Renaissance Manuscripts
Sal Robinson, Assistant Curator, Literary and Historical Manuscripts
Joel Smith, Richard L. Menschel Curator and Department Head, Photography
Jennifer Tonkovich, Eugene and Clare Thaw Curator, Drawings and Prints

**SEPTEMBER 25**
Betye Saar: Call and Response
Rachel Federman, Associate Curator, Modern and Contemporary Drawings

**SEPTEMBER 30**
Into the Wild: Medieval Books of Beasts
Deirdre Jackson, Assistant Curator, Medieval and Renaissance Manuscripts
October 2
David Hockney: Drawing from Life
Sarah Howgate, Senior Curator of Contemporary Collections, National Portrait Gallery, London

October 14
European Blockbooks: Print-on-Demand in the 15th Century
John T. McQuillen, Associate Curator, Printed Books and Bindings

October 21
Call and Response: An Artist Conversation
Nico Wheadon, independent curator, educator, and writer
Xenobia Bailey, artist
Abigail DeVille, artist
Daniel T. Gaitor-Lomack, artist

October 28
Poetry and Patronage: The Laubespine-Villeroy Library Rediscovered
Isabelle de Conihout, guest curator
John Bidwell, Astor Curator and Department Head, Printed Books and Bindings

November 13
David Hockney: Drawing from Life
Isabelle Dervaux, Acquavella Curator and Department Head, Modern and Contemporary Drawings

November 18
Tracking Down Our Roots: A Conversation with Ishmael Reed
Ishmael Reed, author
Rachel Federman, Associate Curator, Modern and Contemporary Drawings

November 23
No Soft Nonsense: Presenting the Bold Anne Bronté
Christine Nelson, Drue Heinz Curator, Literary and Historical Manuscripts

December 7
The Research Library Today: A Conversation with Dr. Carla Hayden, Librarian of Congress, and Dr. Colin B. Bailey, Director of the Morgan Library & Museum

December 16
The Prayer Book of Queen Claude de France
Roger S. Wieck, Melvin R. Seiden Curator and Department Head, Medieval and Renaissance Manuscripts

January 15
Medieval to Modern: Recent Acquisitions at the Morgan
Joshua O’Driscoll, Assistant Curator, Medieval and Renaissance Manuscripts
Sheelagh Bevan, Andrew W. Mellon Associate Curator, Printed Books and Bindings
John Marcari, Charles W. Engelhard Curator and Department Head, Drawings and Prints, and Curatorial Chair

January 22
From Paris to Stockholm, Boucher’s Triumph of Venus
Colin B. Bailey, Director of the Morgan Library & Museum

February 3
David Hockney: Drawing from Life
Isabelle Dervaux, Acquavella Curator and Department Head, Modern and Contemporary Drawings

February 17
Exuberance Is Beauty: William Blake, the Viol, and the Book
Members of the New York viol consort Parthenia
Sheelagh Bevan, Andrew W. Mellon Associate Curator, Printed Books and Bindings
Robinson McClellan, Assistant Curator, Music Manuscripts and Printed Music

February 23
Almost a Remembrance: Belle Greene’s Keats
Philip S. Palmer, Robert H. Taylor Curator and Department Head, Literary and Historical Manuscripts

March 3
The Women Who Made the Morgan: Belle da Costa Greene, Felice Stampfle, and Edith Porada
Sidney Babcock, Jeannette and Jonathan Rosen Curator and Department Head, Ancient Western Asian Seals and Tablets
Jennifer Tonkovich, Eugene and Clare Thaw Curator, Drawings and Prints
Daria Rose Foner, Research Associate to the Director

March 10
The Classical and the Contemporary: Conversation with Jim Dine
Jim Dine, artist
Rachel Federman, Associate Curator, Modern and Contemporary Drawings

March 26
Coptic Manuscripts at the Morgan Library & Museum: Books and Bindings from Medieval Egypt
Joshua O’Driscoll, Assistant Curator, Medieval and Renaissance Manuscripts
Frank Trujillo, Drue Heinz Book Conservator, Thaw Conservation Center
Maria Fredericks, Sherman Fairchild Head of Conservation, Thaw Conservation Center

March 31
Keats’s Chameleon, Cortázár’s Axolotl
Olivia Loksing Moy, Assistant Professor and Director, English Honors Program, Lehman College

October 16, November 6, November 20, December 4, December 18, January 8
Public Educator Tours
Morgan educators led bi-monthly tours of Betye Saar: Call and Response
Concerts and Performances (Streaming)

October 16
Boston Early Music Festival
The Art of Fugue: Music of Bach, Telemann, and Marais
Nevermind ensemble

January 18
Young Concert Artists
Do-Hyun Kim, piano

February 6
Boston Early Music Festival
Violini a Due: A European Journey
Stile Antico

February 23
Young Concert Artists
Maxim Lando, piano

February 26
Boston Early Music Festival
Golden Renaissance: Josquin des Prez
Stile Antico

March 17
Young Concert Artists
Jonathan Swensen, cello, and Adam Golka, piano

Virtual Docent Tours

Ongoing
Docents gave weekly Friday afternoon virtual interactive tours, including “Treasures from the Permanent Collection” and exhibition tours of David Hockney: Drawing from Life

Virtual Adult Workshops

October 10
Guided Sketching: Portraits at Home
Simon Levenson, artist and National Arts Club instructor

November 14
Guided Sketching: Portraits at Home
Susan Stillman, artist and Parsons School of Design faculty member

December 12
Guided Sketching: Portraits at Home
Simon Levenson, artist and National Arts Club instructor

January 23
Guided Sketching: Portraits at Home
Simon Levenson, artist and National Arts Club instructor

February 27
Guided Sketching: Portraits at Home
Simon Levenson, artist and National Arts Club instructor

Drawing Institute

In its tenth year, the Drawing Institute continued to support research on drawings through fellowships and programming. The 2020–2021 Fellows worked on topics including drawings from the French Renaissance, drawings for (and after) Italian Renaissance and Baroque sculpture, and Paul Klee.

The following events were held virtually during Fiscal Year 2021.

October 23
Drawing in Tintoretto’s Venice: Selected Themes and Problems
Graduate seminar led by John Marciari, Charles W. Engelhard Curator and Department Head, Drawings and Prints, and Curatorial Chair

November 17
French Drawings in the Age of Claude, Poussin, Watteau, and Fragonard
Conversation between Alvin L. Clark, Curator of the Horvitz Collection and Jeffrey E. Horvitz Research Curator Emeritus, Harvard Art Museums, and Jennifer Tonkovich, Eugene and Clare Thaw Curator, Drawings and Prints; with Joachim Homann, Maida and George Abrams Curator of Drawings, Harvard Art Museums, and Margaret Morgan Grasselli, Visiting Senior Scholar for Drawings, Harvard Art Museums

December 4
Methodological Approaches to the Study of Drawings
Graduate seminar led by John Marciari, Charles W. Engelhard Curator and Department Head, Drawings and Prints, and Curatorial Chair; Austeja Mackelaite, Annette and Oscar de la Renta Assistant Curator, Drawings and Prints; and Jennifer Tonkovich, Eugene and Clare Thaw Curator, Drawings and Prints

January 27
Early French Drawings
Study day led by Jennifer Tonkovich, Eugene and Clare Thaw Curator, Drawings and Prints

* Public program.

Virtual Family and Community Programs

Morgan staff and guest artists presented twenty family programs centered on the collections and exhibitions as part of the Morgan Bookmarks: A Family Art Experience and Morgan Explorers series. These included special programs led in Farsi and Spanish.

December 13
Winter Family Fair
Featuring Philip S. Palmer, Robert H. Taylor Curator and Department Head, Literary and Historical Manuscripts; Grand Falloons theater company performing A Christmas Carol; and an art workshop inspired by Betye Saar: Call and Response
Virtual College Programs

October 8, October 22, November 5, November 19

College Career Chats: Behind the Scenes at the Morgan Library & Museum
A series of programs for college students featured a cross section of Morgan staff, who spoke about work and career opportunities in museums and research libraries.

Virtual School Programs

Three “Exploring with the Morgan” core programs were presented virtually in Fiscal Year 2021 and served 1,737 K–12 students, targeting underserved communities in Manhattan, the Bronx, Queens, Brooklyn, and Staten Island. The Education team adapted the Exploring with the Morgan curriculum to fit the Zoom format used by educators in school classrooms and family homes. The following three core programs offered students the opportunity to incorporate primary sources from the Morgan into their study of social studies, art, and science:

• Colors of the World: Illuminated Manuscripts in the Age of Exploration
• Reading a Building: Mr. Morgan and His Library
• Mythical Creatures Before the Book: Myths from Mesopotamia and Greece

Additionally, the Morgan Book Project was offered for the eleventh year and served eight hundred students from twenty-four schools. The Morgan Book Project is collaboratively developed by the Morgan Education Staff and the New York City Department of Education, and, thanks to a generous grant from Marina Kellen French and the Anna-Maria and Stephen Kellen Foundation, was offered free of charge to students from public schools.

During Fiscal Year 2021, the Morgan Book Project hosted two Summer Institutes for Teachers and a Technical Support Meeting. Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 restrictions, the annual awards ceremony could not be held at the museum. However, participating students were celebrated with a video compilation of highlights of their artwork and visits to the Morgan, as well as a blog post, both of which were shared on the Morgan’s website and social media platforms.

Special exhibition tours were also offered virtually of the following exhibitions:

• It’s Alive! Frankenstein at 200
• Betye Saar: Call and Response
• David Hockney: Drawing from Life

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