

# BRISCOE

## BRISCOE WESTERN ART MUSEUM

### **NEW DOCENT TRAINING OVERVIEW**

#### **REQUIREMENTS**

- Make a two-year commitment to the program
- Actively participate in New Docent Training
- Maintain a membership at the Briscoe Western Art Museum
- Be available to tour on your assigned weekday
- Tour on select evenings and weekends
- Have an active email address that you check regularly

#### **TRAINING OVERVIEW**

- Art History
- History of the American West
- Art Presentation Methods
- Touring Strategies for Diverse Audiences
- Touring Logistics and Scheduling
- Preparation for Student Tours
- Facility Orientation and Safety

#### **BE PREPARED TO**

- Do extensive reading
- Complete a research project
- Actively participate in discussions and gallery activities
- Shadow tours
- Be assigned a mentor from a current Active Docent
- Take local field trips

#### **2019 SCHEDULE**

New Docent Training begins the second week in April and runs through the last week in June. We will meet weekly on a day that best fits the schedule of the incoming class. Beginning in June 2019, you will shadow tours until you are ready to fully assume Active Duty status.

With respect to student tours, we follow the SAISD academic calendar for holidays, breaks, and closures.

Anticipate dedicating roughly 6 hours/week on New Docent Training commitments (class time, research, readings, tour shadowing, etc.)