

# TOLEDO MUSEUM OF ART AMBASSADORS

#### **PURPOSE**

- Promote the Museum to the greater community by advancing membership, providing volunteer service and working on fundraising events.
- Perpetuate the Ambassador Endowment in support of TMA exhibitions, projects and programs.
- Offer enrichment opportunities in the arts for the Ambassador membership.

## **CRITERIA FOR MEMBERSHIP**

- Maintain a current Toledo Museum of Art membership.
- Demonstrated experience or documented interest in the arts.
- Ability to devote the time and energy to fulfill a six-year term of service, one year as a Provisional and five as an Active.
- Leadership skills in the arts, education, fundraising, public relations or community service.





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The Toledo Museum of Art Ambassadors, established in 1957 as the Aides, is an ancillary group with a rich history of service to the Toledo Museum of Art and its Director. The Ambassador mission is to support, advocate for and participate in the Toledo Museum of Art.





#### **BECOMING AN AMBASSADOR**

The Ambassador organization thrives with new members added each year. Interested prospective members are welcome to attend as guests of Ambassadors at monthly programs and luncheons.

The Ambassadors host one provisional class per year. Those interested in becoming an Ambassador need to apply with an Ambassador member's support—a sponsor. Once you have established that you would like to join and are able to honor the commitments, the application process begins.

## **APPLICATION TIMELINE**

- June thru December
   Sponsor/Applicant Information sessions
- January 1st through March 15th Applications accepted
- March
   Welcome letters sent to incoming
   Provisionals
- April/May
   Provisional Reception with sponsors
- June
   Introduction to the membership

   September
   Provisional Training begins

#### **MEMBERSHIP OBLIGATIONS**

- Mandatory participation in yearlong Provisional Course.
- Attendance at monthly Ambassador meetings, traditionally held on the first Thursday of the month. Meetings include a program and luncheon.
- Volunteer service hours supporting TMA.
- Involvement with Ambassador educational opportunities.
- Committee work, with potential for Board membership.

## **FINANCIAL OBLIGATION (MINIMUM)**

- Ambassador membership Dues (\$75) and Endowment contribution (\$125)
- Monthly Luncheon (\$25 to \$30)
- Support of TMAA sponsored fundraising events



### THE PROVISIONAL YEAR

Training includes a minimum of 10 monthly meetings throughout the year. Provisional meetings are traditionally held on the second Thursday of the month and are in addition to the regular Ambassador monthly meetings.

- Behind-the-scenes tours.
- History lessons.
- Meet and learn from TMA leadership.
- Educational opportunities.

## FA0

Is it possible to become an Ambassador and have full-time or part-time employment?

 Yes, Ambassadors with professional and business obligations are able to meet requirements as long as they have daytime flexibility in their schedule.

If I'm a Snowbird, can I still join the Ambassadors?

 Unfortunately, it is impossible for someone who is out of town for extended periods of time to fulfill the obligations of the provisional and active years as outlined by the TMAA Bylaws.