Guidelines for Class Visits

Welcome to the Colby College Museum of Art

The following are general guidelines that ensure the safety of the art so it can be enjoyed today, and for many years in the future.

- Do not touch works of art. The oils on our hands can damage the surface of paintings and sculptures.

- As you look at the art, stay at least two arm-lengths away from it.

- Use only pencils (no pens) in the museum. And, please do not point at the art with your pencil or other objects.

- Do not lean on walls or cases, either to write or for physical support, so you don’t accidentally jiggle an object. You are welcome to sit on the benches or on the floor as you talk, write, or draw. If you would like a stool, our welcome desk staff will be happy to provide it.

- No food, drink, or gum is allowed in the museum. This includes water bottles or other drinking containers with lids. This policy prevents accidental damage and keeps the art safe from insects.

- Bags larger than 11 x 14 inches and all backpacks need to be hung in the designated area by the welcome desk.

- You are welcome to take photographs, without flash, for personal use in the galleries.

- To be kind to your fellow art lovers, please set your smartphone to silent or vibrate, and take all voice calls in the lobby.

Questions? Please ask a member of our security and welcome desk staff. They’re here to help you have a wonderful experience.