

ART CALLS



Art Calls was developed to serve groups that may have challenges visiting the museum in person, including independent living, assisted living, and memory care communities. Our dedicated docents offer free art viewing and discussion engagements at these facilities sharing works from our permanent collection. Virtual options are also available. To schedule, please email: tours@desmoinesartcenter.org

OBJECTIVES

Stimulate Mental Engagement

Encourage participants to actively observe and interpret artworks.

Appreciation of Art

Foster a deep appreciation for beautiful and intriguing works of art.

Cultivate Togetherness

Promote a sense of community and shared experience.

METHODOLOGY

Our docents guide participants through a thoughtful exploration of artworks, prompting careful observation and discussion. Through creative questioning, participants are encouraged to use their imaginations to weave narratives and discover personal meanings in the art.

EXPECTATIONS

While participants may face cognitive challenges, our docents provide patient and repetitive guidance, ensuring that every participant can engage meaningfully. This experience becomes a valued and memorable part of their day.