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## APRIL MEETING

Monday, April 10, 2017, 10:00 a.m.

New Britain Museum of American Art (NB MAA)  
56 Lexington St., New Britain

We will receive a guided tour of the following special show:

### VISTAS DEL SUR:

Traveler Artists Landscapes of Latin America  
from the Patricia Phelps De Cisneros Collection

*“Vistas del Sur* features more than 150 rarely seen paintings, photographs, works on paper, and books dating from 1638 to 1887, that trace the evolution of Latin American landscapes by artists from Europe and the Americas...[It] features artists such as Frederic Edwin Church, Martin Johnson Heade, Auguste Morisot, Camille Pissarro, Jose Maria Velasco, and Marc Ferrez.”—from the website ([nbmaa.org/exhibition/...](http://nbmaa.org/exhibition/...)). This show closes April 16, 2017. Following the guided tour, we are welcome to view the Museum’s extensive regular collection of American art. Cost of the guided tour: **\$15 per person**. Deadline for number attending and payment: **April 3**.

**LUNCH:** The museum’s Café is too small for a group of any size. Our only option for lunch at the museum is a pre-paid box lunch @ **\$18** [bot. water, sandwich, chips, fruit cup, cookie]. The deadline for pre-paid orders box lunches is April 3; minimum: 15 orders.

### DIRECTIONS TO MUSEUM:

[*per Museum*] I-84 west through Hartford to EXIT 35 on LEFT onto CT Route 72E. Follow signs to New Britain. On 72, take EXIT 8, COLUMBUS BLVD. At the exit light, turn RIGHT, proceed to next light. Take a RIGHT and proceed on WEST MAIN ST. Just before Bank of America branch, turn LEFT onto LEXINGTON ST. [*appx. 50 mins from Storrs*]

OR

[*preferred by G. Leibowitz*] I-84 west to CT Route 9S towards New Britain. On Rte. 9, take the exit for “Downtown New Britain”. At the exit, go RIGHT onto E. MAIN ST., which becomes MYRTLE ST. Go LEFT onto HIGH ST., 2 blocks, to WEST MAIN ST. Go RIGHT onto W. Main; just before Bank of America branch, take a left onto LEXINGTON ST. <REVERSE directions will be provided at lunch.>

**PARKING:** On Lexington, make a left (soon after the office building at 33 Lexington Street) into the museum’s parking lot. Note the split for handicapped/non-handicapped parking. Since the flow is one way, when you leave the parking lot, make a LEFT turn to drive a short block to West Main Street.

**NB MAA REGISTRATION FORM**

**Tuesday, April 11, 2011, 10:00 a.m.**

**New Britain Museum of American Art (\$15.00)**

NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT INFO. (PHONE AND EMAIL) \_\_\_\_\_

Number Attending: Museum \_\_\_\_\_ \$15.00; Box Lunch \_\_\_\_\_ @\$18.00

Please send check by *April 1*. (An email to [artwwright@gmail.com](mailto:artwwright@gmail.com), prior to April 1, that you will be attending will be much appreciated.)

**DUES FORM**

**(PLEASE PAY 2016-2017 DUES NOW IF YOU DID NOT  
PAY IN OCTOBER 2016) \$10 PER PERSON)**

**\_\_NEW MEMBER\_\_CONTINUING MEMBER**

NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

**You may combine registration and dues in one check.**

**Make checks payable to EMERITUS ASSEMBLY, AAUP, and mail them to Jerry Leibowitz, Treasurer, 28 Willowbrook Road, Storrs, CT 06268 .**

## OTHER NEWS

### ***Spring 2017 Meeting 2:***

Candidates for a second meeting of Spring 2017 include (1) The American Museum of Tort Law, located in Winsted, CT, the brainchild of Ralph Nader who is a native of Winsted; and (2) the Submarine Force Library and Museum, in Groton, CT, home of The Nautilus, the first nuclear sub and now a National Historic Landmark. Stay tuned.

### ***“EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE”:***

Thankfully, our small, self-selected organization requires little in the way of formal governance. Occasionally, when a decision (other than electing officers) must be made, we resort to a huddle by email of whoever among the officers and old-timers is available. To bring a modicum of legitimacy to the process, at the January 2017 planning meeting the four officers supported by Jim Knox, Zoe Leibowitz, Compton Rees and Anne Smith decided to designate the officers as an interim Executive Committee that would make the odd decision as required and then report to the members at the next business meeting, of which there are four per year, usually over lunch following a meeting.

The Executive Committee will be evaluating governance issues in coming days, starting with the spring 2017 Planning meeting. Mort Tenzer has located a copy of a constitution. Richard Wurst drafted a mission statement of sorts (What? When? Where? Why? Who?) some years ago. We may look at by-laws if members feel the need. Stay tuned.

### ***CAMPAIGN FOR NEW MEMBERS***

You don't have to be a demographer to understand why this was one of the topics of the January planning meeting—though it helps. Hint: We are the EMERITUS Assembly of the Connecticut chapter of the AAUP. Hint: The honorific of “emeritus” is bestowed only if one retires from a faculty position at a college or university, usually in ripe middle age. The implication is that we need to enlist new retirees, and older ones as well. “Ageing in place” won't keep us going as a functioning group.

“Campaign” is probably too strong a term, but a sub-committee of those attending the January planning meeting will be looking into contacting retiring faculty at institutions around the state. If you know someone, or have an idea about how this effort should be organized, we're all ears (see page 5).

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