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NATIONAL GALLERY INVITES APPLICATIONS FOR 1993 TEACHER INSTITUTE

Washington, D.C. -- The National Gallery of Art announces the 1993 National Gallery of Art Teacher Institute, the fifth annual summer enrichment program for teachers from kindergarten through grade twelve. Teachers of all subjects in these grade levels are encouraged to apply. Three six-day sessions with fifty participants in each will be held at the National Gallery in Washington during July and August 1993. Applications must be postmarked no later than April 30, 1993.

The topic of this year's teacher institute is <u>Modern Art:</u>

1900-1940. A series of lectures, demonstrations of techniques, studio sessions, and tours of the National Gallery's collection of early twentieth-century art will be featured in the program. Talks on the exhibition of paintings loaned to the National Gallery by The Barnes Foundation in Merion, Pennsylvania, and visits to the nearby Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden in Washington will provide additional study opportunities. Lectures and discussions will be led by National Gallery staff and by outside experts.

The teacher institute is designed as a national program for intellectual renewal among educators by providing information about art and its cultural context and by demonstrating techniques for teaching about art. Unlike school- or university-based programs, the Gallery's institute offers educators the opportunity to learn through direct encounters with art in a museum setting. A different topic is featured each summer.

The goals of the institute are to promote the teaching of art history and its cultural context and to expand arts education resources. Since 1989, approximately 700 educators from every state and all U.S. territories have attended.

Three sessions are scheduled for 1993: July 12-17, July 26-31, and August 9-14. Applications must be postmarked no later than April 30. To receive application materials, teachers should send postcards with their names and addresses to:

Teacher Institute Education Division National Gallery of Art Washington, D.C. 20565

The teacher institute augments the National Gallery's extension programs, which serve audiences nationwide through the production and free-loan distribution of instructional materials including films, videos, slide sets, and other teaching resources. To obtain a new catalogue of available materials,

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