National Gallery of Art

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STUDENTS FROM TWELVE STATES AND THREE FOREIGN

COUNTRIES AWARDED SUMMER INTERNSHIPS

AT THE NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART

Washington, D. C. – Twenty college students from eleven states and three countries were selected for the National Gallery of Art's Summer 2000 Internship Program. They are Terri Anderson of Annandale, VA; Kimberly Camuel of Dallas, TX; Alicia Currier of Scarsdale, NY; Claire Deschamps of Paris, France; Jill Johnson Deupi of Fredericksburg, VA; Francesca Filippi of Turin, Italy; Cristiana Garofalo of Florence, Italy; Alyson Horn of Cleveland, OH; Lisa Huber of Louisville, KY; Sarah Kirk of Iowa City, IA; Jenny Meads of Overland Park, KS; Leanne Montgomery of Indianapolis, IN; Natalie Phillips of Millersville, MD; Katherine Poole of Glastonbury, CT; Mark Porter of London, England; Joyce Quitasol of Basking Ridge, NJ; Nathalie Ryan of Dallas, TX; Jody Servon of South River, NJ; Julie Thomson of Williamston, MI; and Meghan Tierney of St. James, NY.

EduCap Inc. is the proud sponsor of the National Gallery of Art Summer 2000 and 2001 Internship Program.

"The Gallery is grateful to EduCap Inc. for supporting our summer internship program so that we can offer stipends for educational opportunities in the arts and expand the pool of potential museum professionals to better represent the population of the United States," said Earl A. Powell III, director, National Gallery of Art. In addition, as a major international museum, the Gallery presents the opportunity for a limited number of non-U.S. citizens to participate in the program.

"We are committed to supporting the summer internship program as part of our ongoing relationship with the National Gallery of Art," noted Catherine B. Reynolds, chair and chief executive officer, EduCap Inc. "The geographical diversity and caliber of applicants will ensure that the program continues to be an unqualified success. The experiences attained in our nation's premier art gallery by the interns will have a profound effect on their careers and society's continued cultural enrichment."

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The nine-week, full-time internship program extends from June 12 through August 11 and gives future museum professionals the unique opportunity to work alongside Gallery staff in curatorial, conservation, design, education, development, library, press and public information, and special events fields. Although the interns' primary responsibilities are within an assigned department, the Gallery as a whole is committed to the professional development of each student. Each intern completes a Gallery project or a predetermined portion of a major project under the supervision of one or more members of the Gallery professional staff, with the added benefit of learning about museums and museum work. Summer interns also participate in biweekly orientation sessions and receive a stipend of \$4,000 each. The intern group includes recent college graduates in addition to a number of graduate students in art, art history, and related fields.

EduCap Inc. has also sponsored National Gallery of Art exhibitions: <u>The Triumph of the Baroque: Architecture in Europe, 1600-1750</u>, on view through October 9, 2000, and <u>Caravaggio's 'The Taking of Christ': Saints and Sinners in Baroque Painting</u>, which was on view last summer.

Information about the Gallery's intern programs is available on the Web site at www.nga.gov or by calling the intern hotline at (202) 842-6399.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The National Gallery of Art and its Sculpture Garden are located on the National Mall between Third and Ninth Streets at Constitution Avenue, N.W., and are open Monday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Through Labor Day, the Sculpture Garden's extended hours will be Monday through Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Sunday from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. The Gallery is closed on December 25 and January 1. Admission is free. For general information call (202) 737-4215; for the Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) call (202) 842-6176; or visit the National Gallery of Art's Web site at www.nga.gov. To receive the Gallery's free bimonthly Calendar of Events, call (202) 842-6662.

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