

The Print Club of Cleveland

c/o The Cleveland Museum of Art, 11150 East Boulevard, Cleveland, Ohio 44106-1797

Information for Prospective Candidates for Membership in the Print Club of Cleveland

The Print Club of Cleveland was founded in 1919 and is the oldest support group of The Cleveland Museum of Art. Its goal is “to stimulate interest in and appreciation of old and contemporary prints, to augment by purchase and gift the print collection of The Cleveland Museum of Art, and to encourage private collection.”

The club consists of approximately 250 members. The club annually distributes to its members a publication print that has been commissioned by the club. Membership is defined as an individual member, a member and spouse, or a member and companion. Dues are currently \$250.00 annually.

The following are requirements for membership in the Print Club:

- A prospective member must be a member of The Cleveland Museum of Art.
- A prospective member must be sponsored by a current member and must have one endorser (both provide letters of recommendation on your behalf).
- A prospective member must have attended two Print Club events (a list of upcoming events will be provided by your sponsor).

The Print Club sponsors an annual Fine Print Fair which brings top dealers from across the United States to Cleveland every fall. Other Print Club events include, for example:

- The Annual Meeting where the presentation print is distributed
- Gallery talks at CMA
- House tours of members' homes to view their collections
- Special lectures by visiting curators or printmakers
- The Print Club sponsors trips throughout the United States and abroad. The club also takes day trips to nearby cities. During these trips, members tour museums, galleries and private collections.

The following publications may be helpful in learning about club and publication print history: *The Print Club of Cleveland 1919-1969*, *The Print Club of Cleveland 1969-1994*, and *The Print Club of Cleveland: 100 Years, 1919-2019*. Although the first of these publications is out of print, it is often found online for sale. The second and third may be purchased in the CMA bookstore or directly from the club. Both of them may be read in the CMA library.

We hope that our members will support the club by attending programs and volunteering their time.