

**Virginia Docent Exchange 2026**

**16<sup>th</sup> Conference Schedule**

**March 8-10, 2026**

**Williamsburg, VA**

**Co-Hosted by**

**The Art Museums of Colonial Williamsburg & the Muscarelle Museum of Art**

**Theme: The Docent Revolution! Sharing Stories**

**The Art Museums of Colonial Williamsburg: 301 S Nassau St, Williamsburg, VA 23185**

**Muscarelle Museum of Art: 603 Jamestown Road, Williamsburg, VA 23185**

**Sunday, March 8**

- 1:00pm – 5:00pm: Optional - pre-conference activities (on your own):
  - [Second Sunday](#) – 11am – 4pm
  - Art History Walking Tours (self-guided)
  - [Colonial Williamsburg](#) – Exchange attendees receive complimentary admission!
  - [Tours of Special Collections, W&M Libraries](#)
- 1:00pm – 7:00pm: VDE 2026 Registration Table Open
  - Muscarelle Museum of Art (Atrium)
- 5:00pm – 7:00pm: Opening Reception
  - Muscarelle Museum of Art (Event Hall & Atrium)
  - Galleries open

**Monday, March 9**

- 8:00am – 3:00pm: Registration Table Open
  - Art Museums of Colonial Williamsburg
- 8:00am – 9:00am: Breakfast
  - Art Museums of Colonial Williamsburg
- 9:00am – 10:00am: Welcome & Opening Program (Pecha Kucha Museum presentations)
  - Hennage Auditorium, Art Museums of Colonial Williamsburg
  - Announcement of Matching Collections Challenge
- 10:15am – 11:00am: Breakout Session A

- 11:15am – 12:00pm: Breakout Session B
- 12:00pm – 1:00pm: Lunch (boxed lunches)
- 1:00pm – 1:45pm: Breakout Session C
- 2:00pm – 3:00pm: Panel Discussion with Docent Program Leaders
  - Hennage Auditorium, Art Museums of Colonial Williamsburg
- 3:00pm – 5:00pm: Break/time on your own
- 5:30pm – 6:30pm: Keynote speaker – Dr. Danielle Moretti-Langholtz, Curator of Native American Art, Muscarelle Museum; Thomasina E. Jordan Director of the American Indian Resource Center at William & Mary
  - Studio Theatre, Phi Beta Kappa Hall, William & Mary
- 6:30pm – 8:30pm: Dinner
  - Muscarelle Museum of Art Event Hall & Atrium

### **Tuesday, March 10**

- 8:00am – 12:00pm: Registration Table Open
  - Muscarelle Museum of Art
- 8:00am – 9:00am: Breakfast & Welcome
  - Muscarelle Museum of Art Event Hall
- 9:15am – 10:00am: Breakout Session D
- 10:15am – 11:00am: Breakout Session E
- 11:00am – 12:00pm: Conference Wrap Up & Lunch (boxed lunches)
  - Muscarelle Museum of Art
  - Open discussion on Making Collections Connections
  - Group Photo
- 12:00pm – 2:00pm: Optional Art Making Workshop
  - Muscarelle Museum of Art