The Robert H. N. Ho Family Foundation
Buddhism Public Scholars

Position Title: Robert H. N. Ho Family Foundation
Buddhism Public Scholar

Organization: Asian Art Museum of San Francisco

Location: San Francisco, CA

Remote work: Partially remote (time on-site is negotiable)

Start date: September 2023

ORGANIZATION DESCRIPTION
Located in the heart of San Francisco, the Asian Art Museum is home to one of the world’s finest collections of Asian art, including more than 18,000 artworks ranging from ancient jades and ceramics to sculpture and painting to contemporary video installations.

WEBSITE
https://asianart.org/

POSITION DESCRIPTION
The fellow will work with several of the Asian Art Museum’s curators (of South Asian, Southeast Asian, and Himalayan art) all of whom are interested in Buddhism) to craft and carry out object-based research on the Asian Art Museum’s large and varied collection of Buddhist art. The research will contribute to understanding of the artworks and to interpreting the artworks for varied publics in partnership with museum education and exhibitions staff members. The fellow will have the opportunity to consult with the museum’s team of conservators on technical research and make use of the museum’s 45,000-volume research library.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS
• PhD in the humanities or humanistic social sciences
• Expertise and academic training in Buddhist knowledge and traditions
• Some knowledge of Buddhist art, especially of South Asia, Southeast Asia, or the Himalayan region

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS
• Knowledge of one or more pertinent languages (for example, Sanskrit, Pali, Tibetan, Thai, Khmer, French, Dutch)
• Basic familiarity with databases
• English language fluency for direct engagement with the visiting public
• Experience with writing for both scholarly and general audiences
• Knowledge of and experience with digital humanities projects and resources

SUPERVISOR:
Dependent on specialization

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You may not contact the host institution to inquire about this position.