

Please share these Museum Manners with your group prior to the visit so children understand the importance of protecting the art in the museum. This is especially important for little ones who may be visiting for the first time. These guidelines are written so an adult can read them out loud to children.

MFAH Museum Manners

- Remember not to touch any works of art. When we look at art together, we stay at least two arms' lengths away to make sure the art is safe.
- Do you know what "Museum Hands" are? Clasp your hands together behind your back. Watch me do it. When we walk in the museum, we should walk with "Museum Hands," or you can hold my hand.
- We will see museum guards in jackets whose job it is to protect the art. They will remind us of these museum manners if we forget.
- When we want to look at a work of art or if we want to rest, we can sit on the floor or on a bench together. We should not lean against walls or display cases.
- When we talk in the museum, we need to use our inside voices.
- When we are looking at art in the galleries, we need to stay together.
- Remember not to run in the museum.
- We can take a break to eat a snack in the Sculpture Garden. No food or drinks are allowed in the galleries.