Position Available

The Getty Conservation Institute (GCI), located at the Getty Center in Los Angeles, California and the Getty Villa in Malibu, is one of the operating programs of the J. Paul Getty Trust and works internationally to advance conservation practice in the visual arts. GCI activities include scientific research, education and training, model field projects, and the dissemination of the results of both its own work and the work of others in the field.

The GCI Science department is seeking an Assistant Scientist to work within the Collections Research Laboratory (CRL), located at the Getty Center. The mission of the CRL is to conduct scientific research in collaboration with conservators and curators to further the understanding and preservation of the collection of the J. Paul Getty Museum and other institutions with which we collaborate; to disseminate our findings through professional publications and conferences; and to contribute to the advancement of the field of conservation through the organization of seminars, symposia and workshops.

The Assistant Scientist will be expected to conduct scientific analyses and research on works of art using the wide range of chemical and instrumental techniques available at the GCI. He/She will assist in the preparation of reports for publications, may present results at conferences and symposia and may assist with the development and management of research project components.

The GCI Science department is seeking an individual who has experience with the examination of museum objects and who complements and enhances the existing expertise of the CRL. All candidates should have excellent interpersonal skills, the ability to work effectively in small teams, and be versatile and creative problem solvers. An advanced degree in chemistry or other physical science is preferred and a minimum of 2 years experience in conservation science is required. Excellent written and oral communication skills are required.

For further information about the CRL or the position, please contact Karen Trentelman, Ph.D., Senior Scientist, Collections Research Laboratory, 310-440-6262, ktrentelman@getty.edu. Salary will be commensurate with education and experience. An excellent benefits package will also be provided. EOE

To apply, please send curriculum vitae and cover letter to gcistaffing@getty.edu or fax to 1-310-440-6182 by July 16, 2009.