

VISITOR GUIDELINES

We want you to get the most out of your visit and welcome your questions about the museum and the greater Charleston area.



FOOD & DRINK

Food and beverages are not permitted on the second and third floors.



SKETCHING IN THE GALLERIES

Sketching, in pencil only, is permitted in the galleries. While sketching, please do not hinder visitor traffic flow in the galleries. During periods of high attendance, we reserve the right to make adjustments to the sketching policy.



PHOTOGRAPHY

We encourage you to take photos and share your Museum experience! Photography is welcome in all public spaces, and in the galleries, except where otherwise noted. Flashes, tripods, monopods, video cameras, and selfie sticks are not permitted. Please tag [@theGibbesMuseum](#) and use [#gibbesart](#) when posting your photographs online.

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STROLLERS

Strollers are welcome in all galleries unless otherwise noted.



BAGS & COAT CHECK

All bags are subject to security inspection before entering the Museum. We have a limited number of lockers available and ask you to check oversize bags. Please note that items larger than 12x18x12 inches will not fit into the lockers and cannot be brought into the galleries. A self-service coat rack is also available.*

For school groups, please encourage students to leave backpacks and coats on the bus. All large bags and coats must be checked prior to the start of the tour. School groups may store bagged lunches in the classrooms.

**The Museum reserves the right to refuse other items and is not responsible for items held in lockers or coat rack.*



LOST & FOUND

For lost or left behind items, please visit the Visitor Services Desk or call the Security office at 843.722.7206 x215.



PARKING FOR BUSES & VANS

Parking in front of the Museum accommodates two large school buses or three full-size vans. Arrangements must be made prior to your visit with the group tour coordinator. There is no on-site parking for cars, however nearby public parking is available on Queen and Cumberland Streets.



WEAPONS POLICY

For the safety of our guests and employees, the Gibbes Museum of Art prohibits the possession of weapons of any kind on the Museum's property, including the Lenhardt Garden, or at Gibbes Museum of Art sponsored events, unless such possession or use is a requirement of the job (e.g., law enforcement). Weapons include firearms, explosives, knives of any length, and other objects that in the opinion of the Gibbes Museum of Art might be dangerous or cause harm.

THANK YOU FOR VISITING THE GIBBES

