

VASE WITH POPPIES
VINCENT VAN GOGH



Happy Holidays

All of us at Cantor Colburn offer our very best wishes for a happy holiday season and a wonderful new year.

Vase with Poppies by Vincent van Gogh is one of the masterpieces in the collections of the Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art, located in Hartford, Connecticut, home to our headquarters. Earlier this year, Vase with Poppies was authenticated as a painting by van Gogh with the help of radiography technology. The Wadsworth Atheneum's conservation lab used digital x-ray and advanced infrared reflectograms to reveal with greater clarity the presence of an earlier painting beneath the current composition. That underpainting led museum staff to send the painting to the Van Gogh Museum in Amsterdam for further inspection. Experts in Amsterdam concluded that the painting is indeed a van Gogh, created soon after the artist moved to Paris in 1886. While the painting is usually prominently featured in the Atheneum's galleries, it is currently included in a temporary exhibition "Van Gogh: Still Lives" at the Museum Barbarini in Potsdam, Germany, and is already committed to an upcoming exhibition "Van Gogh in America" at the Detroit Institute of Arts in summer 2020.



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