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Art Institute of Chicago

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Equal parts museum and academic institution, The Art Institute of Chicago has been a fixture on the creative landscape since its founding by a group of artists in 1866. With a famous pair of bronze lions standing sentry, the not-for-profit organization's museum houses some 320,000 works of art in a dozen collections ranging from Asian art to architecture to textiles. The Art Institute extends a welcome to nearly 1.5 million visitors annually, people from all over the globe who come to explore the world of art and discover its unique significance. The institute's more than 2,200 students pursue certifications, undergraduate degrees, and graduate degrees in fields such as art, fashion design, painting, sculpture, and writing. The Art Institute of Chicago is also home to the Ryerson and Burnham Libraries, which together constitute one of the world's largest art museum libraries.

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