

Kimbell Art Museum

SCHOOL TOURS



The Kimbell Art Museum invites school-age learners to discover art and ideas from around the world.

We hope that the following information will help educators to plan docent-guided or self-guided tours of our permanent collection, architecture, and special exhibitions.

Arranging Your School Visit

1. Choose your preferred tour subject.
2. Determine several possible dates and times for your visit.
3. Be prepared to share information about your group: number of students, grade levels, special needs, lunch plans.
4. Reserve **at least three weeks** in advance. Reservations are subject to availability.

Prepare your students in advance. Visit kimbellart.org for online resources.

Hours and Fees

Permanent collection

Admission to the Kimbell's permanent collection is always free. Docent-guided and self-guided tours may be scheduled during regular museum hours and are subject to availability.

Architecture

There is no charge to visit the Louis I. Kahn Building or the Renzo Piano Pavilion. Docent-guided and self-guided tours may be scheduled during regular museum hours and are subject to availability.

Special exhibitions

Admission is waived for student groups (10–60) that schedule docent-guided tours of special exhibitions at preset times (subject to availability): Wednesdays–Thursdays, 10:15 AM and 11:30 AM; and Fridays, 10 AM and 11:15 AM.

Self-guided groups (10 or more) may reserve discounted tickets in advance online or by contacting the Group Sales Department; prices vary.



Docent-Guided Tours

Explore our galleries with experienced guides who use interactive teaching strategies to prompt careful looking and conversation—while encouraging creative connections and lifelong learning.

- All tour requests must be submitted **at least three weeks** in advance. Reservations are subject to availability.
- Docent-guided tours last approximately one hour, unless otherwise noted.
- Capacity: 10–60 students per hour; one chaperone with every 10 students
- **Homeschool educators:** visit kimbellart.org to learn about tour programs designed especially for homeschool families and co-ops.

For all docent-guided tour requests, contact:

Tour programs coordinator
817-332-8451, ext. 249
education@kimbellmuseum.org



Permanent Collection

Docent-guided tours explore a range of subjects, time periods, cultures, and artists' techniques. Visit kimbellart.org for more information.

Kimbell Highlights

Grades 3–12

Museum Architecture

Grades 3–12

Shape, Line, and Color

Grades 3–6

To Tell a Story

Grades 3–6

The Five Senses

Grades 3–6

European History through Art

Grades 9–12

World Cultures

Grades 9–12

Sketching to See

Grades K–12

(Limited to 30 students per hour)

Creative Writing

Grades K–12

(Limited to 30 students per hour)

Special Exhibitions

Grades 3–12

The museum hosts special exhibitions throughout the year. Visit kimbellart.org for information about current and future special exhibitions. Refer to **Hours and Fees** for docent-guided tour times.



Self-Guided Tours

Groups are also welcome to explore the museum on their own, but dates are subject to availability. Group leaders must request permission to lecture in the permanent collection; guest lecturing is not permitted in special exhibitions. Please review the **Museum Guidelines**.

- All groups (10 or more students) must schedule their visit in advance.
- Self-guided groups must always yield to tours conducted by museum staff and docents.
- Prior approval of gallery writing activities is required.
- Capacity: 10-100 students per hour; one chaperone with every 10 students

For permanent collection self-guided tour requests, contact:

Tour programs coordinator
817-332-8451, ext. 249
education@kimbellmuseum.org

For special exhibition self-guided tour requests and discounted tickets, contact:

Group sales department
817-332-8451, ext. 229
group_sales@kimbellmuseum.org

Mobile Apps and Tours

Download Kimbell audio tours to personal devices to hear from curators and other experts about selected artworks in our permanent collection; options include over 25 recordings produced for kids or the young at heart. Available in English or en Español.





Next Steps Before Your Tour

Look, discuss, create

- Use Kimbell classroom resources with artwork reproductions, discussion information, and recommended activities to prepare students in advance.
- Prepare students by watching “Explore. Discuss. Learn. Student Tours at the Kimbell” on the museum’s YouTube channel.
- Review **Museum Guidelines** with students at school and again on the bus.

Keep in touch

- Carefully review your final tour confirmation; contact the tour programs coordinator (ext. 249) as soon as possible if you have questions.
- Please confirm final attendance one week before your scheduled tour date.
- Notify us immediately if the number of students changes or if you must cancel the tour.

Help us get to know your students

- Create nametags for students to help encourage interaction during gallery tours.
- The Kimbell is committed to offering inclusive, meaningful experiences for all ages and abilities. Please contact us to request an accommodation.

When you arrive

- Please arrive ten minutes before your scheduled tour time.

- Running late? Contact the Information Desk (ext. 730).
- Late arrivals (20 minutes or more) result in the forfeiture of staff- and docent-guided tours.

Staying for lunch?

- The museum does not have indoor dining facilities for large student groups.
- Groups may arrange for students to eat outside on the lawn located between the buildings and under the Kahn Building’s exterior porticos.

Adults in charge

- All groups are required to bring one adult chaperone for every 10 students.
- Chaperones are responsible for student conduct and must monitor students at all times during their visit, including in the Museum Shops and restrooms.

Transportation and parking

- Refer to the Kimbell Campus Map and make a plan with the bus driver for drop-off and pick-up.
- Parking is limited to Will Rogers Road. Contact Fort Worth ISD to request permission to park at nearby Farrington Field.

Tour Reimbursements

- Groups (25 or more students) that schedule docent-guided tours may apply for reimbursements (up to \$450) to help cover the cost of substitute teachers and transportation. Some restrictions apply. Contact the tour programs coordinator to learn more.



Museum Guidelines

For students:

- Explore the works of art only with your eyes, never with your hands. Remain aware of your surroundings and always maintain an arm's length distance from artworks.
- Walk in the museum—do not run.
- Use a quiet voice when sharing your ideas.
- Write and draw only with pencils—no pens or markers. Please remain aware of artworks and other visitors.
- Non-flash photography is welcome, unless otherwise noted. However, students should refrain from taking pictures during docent-guided tours.

Additional information for teachers:

- No backpacks, food, drinks, or water bottles are allowed in the galleries. Remind students to leave those items and large bags on the bus.
- Unscheduled lecturing to groups is not permitted.
- Cell phones should be turned to silent mode while in the museum.
- Service animals are the only animals allowed in the museum.
- Tobacco use, including cigarettes, cigars, pipes, electronic cigarettes, snuff, and chewing tobacco, is not permitted in the museum or anywhere on the museum's grounds.
- Weapons are not allowed in the museum (exception: law enforcement officers).

Contacts

Tour Programs Coordinator	817-332-8451, ext. 249
Group Sales	817-332-8451, ext. 229
Education Assistant	817-332-8451, ext. 239
Information Desk	817-332-8451, ext. 730
Museum Shop	817-332-8451, ext. 744
Security	817-332-8458



Map and Directions

From I-30 heading west, exit University Drive. Turn left from the exit ramp to drive north on University Drive (follow signs to the Cultural District). Turn left on West Lancaster Avenue (third traffic light).

To drop off groups at the Kahn Building, turn right at the first light onto Van Cliburn Way. Turn right at the stop sign onto Darnell Street and unload passengers at the paved drop-off areas. They will walk across Van Cliburn Way to reach the Kahn Building.

To drop off groups at the Piano Pavilion, continue on West Lancaster to turn right on Will Rogers Road. Turn right at Camp Bowie Boulevard and pull into the group drop-off space.

Buses may park along Will Rogers Road or contact Fort Worth ISD to request permission to park at nearby Farrington Field.



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