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CONSERVATION CENTER FOR ART & HISTORIC ARTIFACTS RECEIVES \$1 MILLION FROM ANDREW W. MELLON FOUNDATION

February 2, 2018—Philadelphia, PA—The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation has awarded a grant of \$1 million to the Conservation Center for Art & Historic Artifacts (CCAHA). The grant is part of the Foundation’s Comprehensive Financial Health Conservation Cohort Initiative aimed at strengthening the national infrastructure for cultural heritage conservation and preservation.

The initiative provided extended analysis and consultation with the Nonprofit Finance Fund, which allowed CCAHA to explore business processes, opportunities for growth, and areas of field leadership. The change capital provided by the Mellon grant will enable CCAHA to make substantial investments in capacity-building, infrastructure, and financial reserves to support its mission, as well as provide the means to advance the goals of a newly completed strategic plan. As a result, CCAHA will be positioned for long-term stability and success as the organization continues to provide expertise and leadership in the preservation of the world’s material culture.

“CCAHA is honored to be recognized by the Mellon Foundation with this extraordinary award,” says CCAHA Executive Director Laura Hartz Stanton, “The infusion of change capital will allow us to be more agile and responsive to the shifting needs of our client institutions and increasingly innovative in our approaches in our core service areas of preservation and conservation. Mellon’s investment recognizes the vital role CCAHA needs to continue to play in helping cultural organizations preserve their collections.”

About the Conservation Center for Art & Historic Artifacts

The Conservation Center for Art & Historic Artifacts (CCAHA) is a nonprofit conservation facility specializing in the treatment of works on paper, photographs, and books through conservation and state-of-the-art digital imaging services. Founded in 1977, CCAHA serves collecting institutions and private individuals. CCAHA’s preservation services staff present educational programs, conduct preservation assessments, and develop emergency preparedness plans. CCAHA also offers fellowships, fundraising support, and disaster assistance.

About the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation

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