

City of Arts & Innovation

TO: METROPOLITAN MUSEUM BOARD DATE: MAY 8, 2019

FROM: MUSEUM COLLECTIONS COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: ACCESSION OF TWO (2) 1929-1938 WATER GOBLETS

ISSUE:

Recommend that the City Council approve the accession of two (2) 1929-1938 water goblets into the Museum's permanent collection.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Metropolitan Museum Board recommend that the City Council approve the accession of two (2) 1929-1938 water goblets into the Museum's permanent collection.

BACKGROUND:

The Riverside Museum Associates (RMA) wishes to donate two (2) water goblets in the Fostoria-Versailles pattern. The goblets are acid-etched, transparent, colorless, with plumed stems (Fostoria #5099), and have optic topaz bowls. The pattern was in production from 1929-1938.

1. Water goblet



2. Water goblet



At the March 13, 2019 meeting, the Museum Collections Committee recommended that the Metropolitan Museum Board approve the accession of the 1929-1938 water goblets into the Museum's permanent collection.

DISCUSSION:

The water goblets recommended for accession match the set currently on exhibit in the Heritage House dining room. One (1) of the goblets is intended to replace a water goblet of the same pattern, which was broken in 2018. The second water goblet is intended as a backup, should any additional damage occur to the water goblets exhibited in the dining room. The second goblet would be stored in the Heritage House butler's pantry and therefore presents no burden to the present storage capacities of the Museum.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund associated with this report.

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