

## GETTY CENTER AND GETTY VILLA TO CLOSE TO THE PUBLIC BEGINNING SATURDAY

**LOS ANGELES** – The Getty Center and Getty Villa will close to the public beginning this Saturday, March 14, until further notice as the region works to minimize the spread of coronavirus COVID-19.

The closure impacts the J. Paul Getty Museum locations at the Getty Center in Los Angeles and Getty Villa in Pacific Palisades, as well as the gardens and grounds, and the Getty Research Institute galleries and Getty Library at the Getty Center.

Earlier this week, Getty announced that it had cancelled events and programs through the end of May. Getty also had cancelled school visits and group tours.

Given the fluidity and uncertainty of the current crisis, Getty cannot determine the duration of the closure at this time.

The regional and global work of the Getty Museum, Getty Conservation Institute, Getty Research Institute, and Getty Foundation, which provide grants and training, and conduct research and conservation of cultural heritage, will continue. More than 1,200 Getty employees will be transitioning to multiple work arrangements, with some remaining on site and some working remotely. The Getty Trust will provide support to all of its employees for the duration of the closure.

The public is invited to explore the Getty collections, as well as its many art and cultural databases and educational materials, online at [Getty.edu](http://Getty.edu).

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