

## Maryland Institute College of Art

### Certification of Academic Activity

The American Competitiveness Workforce Act of 1998 allows payment of honoraria and associated travel and incidental expenses to B1, B2, WB and WT visa holders for "usual academic activity," if paid by an institution of higher education, a nonprofit organization affiliated with an institution of higher education, or a nonprofit or a governmental research organization. In accordance with the immigration law, the College may make payment of honoraria and travel and incidental expenses to B1, B2, WB, and WT visa holders under the following requirement.

#### Honoraria

B1, B2, WB, and WT visa holders may be paid an honorarium for usual academic activity not exceeding **nine (9) days** in duration, provided that such individual has not received honoraria from more than five (5) institutions in the previous six month period.

#### Travel and Incidental Expenses

*B1 and WB visa holders* may be reimbursed for reasonable travel and incidental expenses incurred in connection with a usual academic activity, regardless of the duration of the activity and regardless of whether the individual has previously received payment from other educational institutions.

*B2 and WT visa holders* may be reimbursed for reasonable travel and incidental expenses incurred in connection with a usual academic activity not exceeding nine days in duration, provided that such individual has not received travel and incidental expenses from more than 5 educational institutions in the previous six month period.

#### Visitor Information:

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
(in order to receive an honorarium payment you must have a social security number or Tax Id number)

What type of payment will you be receiving?  Honorarium  Travel & Incidental expenses  Both

Enter the visa classification under which you are currently present in the United States \_\_\_\_\_

The dates of my activity at the Maryland Institute College of Art will be from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate the type of activity you will be engaged in while at the College  Guest Lecturer  Conference Participant

Researcher  Other: If other, please describe \_\_\_\_\_

#### Acknowledgement and Certification:

**Statement of Visitor:** I attest that I have engaged in the activities described above for the benefit of MICA for nine days or less. I further attest that I have not been paid or reimbursed by more than five other U.S. Institutions or organizations during the past six months.

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Statement of Department Head or Business Manager:** As sponsor of the above individual, I attest that the individual has been engaged in activities described above for the benefit of MICA for nine days or less. I attest that the activities for which the individual is being paid or reimbursed are within the broad realm of customary academic activities associated with teaching, research, public service, academic administration or academic operations.

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_