

## Work on IMLS Grant Puts NCMA in National Spotlight

Elizabeth Merritt, director of the American Association of Museums' Center for the Future of Museums, has singled out NCMA for "using exemplary practices to reach diverse cultural audiences." Her praise was based on the work we've been doing in the Culture and Literacy Through Art project that is funded by the Institute of Museum and Library Services' National Leadership grant. This project, in which we're partnered with Queensborough Community College, uses the visual arts to build verbal and written skills among people whose first language is not English. According to Ms. Merritt, NCMA is among several museums to be highlighted in a forthcoming Center for the Future of Museums report identifying national leadership in this area

