The Drawing Institute is a center of research based at the Morgan Library & Museum.

The aim of the Drawing Institute is to deepen the understanding and appreciation of the role of drawing in the history of art. Making full use of the resources at the Morgan Library & Museum, the Drawing Institute is devoted to the study of drawings from all periods, exploring their centrality in the process of creative expression.

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Events

Lectures
The Drawing Institute organizes a series of public lectures throughout the year.

Thaw Lecture
The Thaw Lecture is an annual public lecture exploring questions related to the role of drawing in the creative process. The series of Thaw Lectures is published by the Drawing Institute.

Symposia
Public Symposia bring together experts presenting original research on the form and function of drawings.

Exhibitions
Focused exhibitions organized by the Drawing Institute highlight new scholarship on drawings from all periods.
Study Days
Study Days are organized in conjunction with exhibitions at the Morgan Library & Museum. Study Days can also be devoted to a group of drawings from the Morgan’s collection, focusing on specific questions regarding their making and meaning.

Master Classes
Master Classes, led by renowned scholars, take a closer look at drawings from the Morgan’s collection. The small, private sessions foster conversation on a single artist or a specific topic.

Graduate Seminars
Open by application to graduate students and led by the Thaw Senior Fellow, Graduate Seminars are intended to foster the study of drawings by a new generation of scholars.

Fellows Colloquia
Fellows Colloquia provide an opportunity for Fellows of the Drawing Institute to share their research. These informal gatherings are intended to encourage discussion on drawings in broader cultural, historical, or literary contexts across different periods.
Fellowships

Thaw Senior Fellow
A three-month fellowship awarded to a noted senior scholar or established museum professional.

Postdoctoral Fellow
A nine-month fellowship awarded to scholars in the first decade following the completion of the Ph.D. or equivalent advanced degree.

Samuel H. Kress Predoctoral Fellow
A six-month fellowship awarded to an advanced graduate student who has completed all course work and exams and is engaged in carrying out research leading to the completion of a Ph.D. dissertation in the history of art.

Morgan–Courtauld Fellow
A biennial fellowship awarded in collaboration with the Courtauld Gallery in London. The fellowship is intended to encourage research related to the collections of both the Morgan Library & Museum and the Courtauld Gallery. The Morgan–Courtauld Fellow is hosted by both institutions.

Morgan–Menil Fellow
A biennial fellowship awarded in collaboration with the Menil Collection in Houston. The fellowship is intended to foster the study of modern and contemporary drawings. The Morgan–Menil Fellow is hosted by both institutions.
Images

Albrecht Dürer, Constructed Head of a Man in Profile (detail), ca. 1512–13, The Morgan Library & Museum, New York, I, 257b.


