Want access to a multimedia educational tool with images of over 65,000 works of art from North America’s leading museums? Want a free subscription to the digital resource that over 2 million students at colleges and universities throughout the United States, Canada, and the United Kingdom will access in fall 2000? Become one of the first teachers at the K-12 level to integrate use of the AMICO Library in teaching your subject unit by joining the AMICO Library Schools Testbed.

Who: K-12 Teachers of all subjects, such as history, English, art, science, languages, and social studies.

What: Get free access to the AMICO Library, an online, multimedia resource of over 65,000 works of art from over 30 major museums in the U.S. and Canada. Use these cultural primary source materials along with other museum-created content – like commentaries on works, sound and video files that further explain and enhance the piece, provenance/ownership histories, and more. You may print out the works for use in class. Assign your students research assignments using the database. Project the works in class, if your school has the technological infrastructure. The possibilities for educational use are limited by your imagination.

Where: Via a password-protected web site on the Internet, accessible from school computers and from your personal computer.

When: Access will be provided for two Academic Years, from Oct. 20, 2000 to June 22, 2002. We expect teachers to review the AMICO Library on their own during the first semester of 2000 and use it in teaching during the second semester of the first academic year. The second academic year will allow teachers to build on what they’ve learned and report informally to AMICO and other educators on their use and progress.

Requirements:
By Aug. 1, 2001 participating teachers will provide a written summary/paper that outlines how the AMICO Library was used during the previous academic year by the teacher and his/her students. Teachers must
- outline what classes used the AMICO Library (subject, age group of students, grade level, frequency and duration of usage),
- provide specific assignments and that used the AMICO Library,
- indicate how the AMICO Library could be included into lesson plans and tied to their state educational and curriculum requirements,
- give a personal critique of the database’s strengths and weaknesses, and
- contribute a summary of student impressions and feedback about the database.

AMICO retains the right to publish reports of the test, post this information on their web site, share outcomes with their museum Members, discuss these uses in future professional conferences, all with proper citations to individual teachers.
Also, we ask that teachers in the project participate in online email discussions and complete one or two periodic surveys about the AMICO Library and their use of it.
To Apply:
Send an email to Kelly Richmond, Communications Director of AMICO (at kelly@amico.org) indicating your name, school, location, grade(s) and subject(s) you teach, number of years in teaching, a preliminary overview of how you might incorporate use of the AMICO Library into a unit of study and integrate this tool into your subject’s curriculum, and why this sort of resource interests you. Also, you need to evidence permission from your School Principal to participate in this project and his/her agreement to the terms of the K-12 license, included in this document. (Once accepted teachers have had a month’s access to the AMICO Library, they will be asked to submit a more specific discussion of use by November 17, 2000.)

To see the range of works available in the AMICO Library, please visit http://www.amico.org/AMICOlibrary/libprof.html for a summary or go to http://search.amico.org to browse the Thumbnail catalog.

Note: AMICO does not provide Internet access or any sort of computer hardware or software to facilitate this project. Your school needs to have this technological infrastructure in place already.

Restrictions:
We are limiting this K-12 Investigation to no more than 15 teachers, so all applications will not be accepted. We will notify you of your participation status by Oct. 9, 2000.

Deadline for submissions: 5pm EST, Friday, September 29, 2000.

Short Frequently Asked Question About AMICO and the AMICO Library

What is AMICO?
AMICO (Italian for “friend” and pronounced like ah-MEE-ko) is the Art Museum Image Consortium, a unique collaboration of art-collecting institutions. Together, they’ve formed a not-for-profit organization to enable educational use of their digital multimedia documentation.

Who are AMICO’s Members?
Any organization with a collection of art can be an AMICO Member. Membership will grow over time to include institutions of many types from around the world. Applications for membership are being accepted now. AMICO’s Members now comprise the following institutions:

- Albright-Knox Art Gallery
- Art Gallery of Ontario
- Art Institute of Chicago
- Asia Society Gallery
- Center for Creative Photography
- Sterling and Francine Clark Art Institute
- Cleveland Museum of Art
- Dallas Museum of Art
- Davis Museum and Cultural Center, Wellesley College
- Denver Art Museum
- Detroit Institute of Arts
- Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco
- The Frick Collection and Art Reference Library
- George Eastman House
- J. Paul Getty Museum
- The Library of Congress
- Los Angeles County Museum of Art
- The Metropolitan Museum of Art
- Minneapolis Institute of Arts
- Montréal Museum of Fine Arts
- Musée d’art contemporain de Montréal
- Museum of Contemporary Art, San Diego
- Museum of Fine Arts, Boston
- National Gallery of Canada
- Philadelphia Museum of Art
- San Francisco Museum of Modern Art
- San Jose Museum of Art
- Smithsonian American Art Museum
- Walker Art Center
- Whitney Museum of American Art
What is the AMICO Library?
The AMICO Library is the compilation of digital multimedia documentation of works of art contributed by AMICO Members. The Library launched in July 1999 and contained documentation of over 50,000 works, from ancient to contemporary times. The 2000 version of the AMICO Library has over 65,000 works. This will continue to grow over time to include hundreds of thousands of works from all cultures and periods.

Who has Access to the AMICO Library?
Only authorized users of subscribing institutions and AMICO Members have access to the AMICO Library, for educational purposes. Users include teachers, students, curators, museum visitors, scholars and artists.

How is the AMICO Library Made Available?
When subscribing to the AMICO Library educational institutions will select a distributor. Currently the Research Libraries Group (RLG) provides service, and additional non-profit distributors plan to come online later this year. Authorized users of AMICO Subscribers and Members then access the Library through a secure electronic distribution system. The full Library is not available on the public web. To make people aware of AMICO, however, thumbnail images and brief text descriptions of all works are available publicly at <www.amico.org>.

Do Users Pay to Gain Access?
Educational institutions are charged an annual fee to access the AMICO Library. This subscription fee provides unlimited access to the institution’s authorized users for an entire year. This partially pays the costs of distributing the Library. Museums themselves pay the costs of digitizing works of art, and pay membership dues.

Will Anyone Make a Profit from AMICO?
No. Commercial use of the AMICO Library or any works that it contains is not allowed under educational licenses. AMICO’s goals are educational, and non-profit. We want to make art, including contemporary works, available for study in educational institutions.

How Do I Learn More?
To find out more, see the AMICO web site at <www.amico.org>. There you'll find a full list of Frequently Asked Questions, Sample Records, and additional background documentation. Or, you may contact Jennifer Trant, Executive Director of AMICO, at:

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On behalf of the Art Museum Image Consortium (AMICO), I agree to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.

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