CONSERVATION CENTER
for Art & Historic Artifacts

www.ccaha.org

CCAHA

- Located in downtown Philadelphia, in what used to be an ice cream factory
- Established in 1977 with funding from the National Endowment for the Humanities
- CCAHA is now the largest nonprofit conservation lab in the country

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- 10,500 square foot facility

- Staff of 36 includes conservators and technicians; preservation services staff; marketing, development, and administrative staff; and post-graduate fellows
CCAHA - conservation services

- CCAHA’s conservators work exclusively on paper-based artifacts, such as drawings, watercolors, prints, posters, maps, wallpaper, books, and photographs, as well as parchment and papyrus.

CCAHA - housing

- CCAHA offers museum-quality, preservation grade matting and framing on site.

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  - Preservation Needs Assessments
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  - Risk Assessments
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Emergency preparedness publications

- Emergency Resource Guide
- Disaster Recovery Preservation Resources
  - Salvaging Books
  - Salvaging Art on Paper
  - Salvaging Photograph Collections
  - Freezing and Drying Techniques
- Non-Circulating Reference Library

In the event of an emergency:

- 24-hour phone line
- CCAHA conservators on-site
- Coordinate contact with appropriate experts
- Free phone advice

CCAHA emergency supplies

- Crash cart
- Freezer
### Treatment

- Emergency and non-emergency reference assistance by phone and email.
- Assistance with grant writing for preservation- and conservation-related projects.

### CCAHA - staff support

- $150-250 per year (depending on institutional budget)
- One free condition report, treatment proposal, and estimate for conservation treatment OR one hour of free on-site consultation
- Reduced rate for CCAHA programs
- 10% discount on products from Hollinger Metal Edge

### CCAHA - membership