

The logo for SAM Seattle Art Museum, featuring the letters 'S', 'A', and 'M' in a large, white, sans-serif font. The 'A' is smaller and positioned between the 'S' and 'M'. To the right of the 'M', the words 'SEATTLE ART MUSEUM' are stacked vertically in a smaller, white, sans-serif font.

**SAM** SEATTLE  
ART  
MUSEUM

A photograph of a modern, multi-story building with a glass facade, illuminated at night. The building has a unique, angular design with a prominent glass tower. The sky is dark, and the building's lights create a strong contrast.

**ROME AND FLORENCE**  
OCTOBER 2 - 8, 2023

We are delighted to invite you to join us on this Italian trip to discover the innovative and eclectic art scene in Rome and Florence over the first week of October 2023. During these days we will be visiting private collections, artist studios and we will be received by directors and curators of the major galleries and museums in the two cities. Five full days of immersive art experiences and special visits, topped with culinary adventures to appreciate the best of Italian cuisine.

### **Highlights of the tour will include:**

- Luxury accommodation for 3 nights at the Hotel Savoy in Rome and 3 nights at the Grand Hotel Minerva in Florence
- 5 lunches and 4 dinners, including a lunch or dinner in a private residence and a dinner at rooftop restaurant SE·STO On Arno, with exquisite contemporary cuisine and spectacular views on Florence
- Special visits to major art institutions, including Zaha Hadid's MAXXI museum in Rome and Palazzo Strozzi in Florence
- Visit to at least 3 private collections. Possibilities include the collections of Giovanni Floridi and Clara Datti in Rome and Roberto Casamonti's in Florence.
- Visit of artist studios/artista residencies. Options include the studio of Alberto di Fabio and Pastificio Cerere.
- Special visits to some independent art galleries in both cities. Possibilities include Anna Marra in Rome and Eduardo Secci in Florence.

### **Additional Options:**

- In Rome: private after hours visit to the church of San Luigi dei Francesi to see three masterpieces by Caravaggio: The Calling of Saint Mathew, Inspiration of Saint Matthew and Martyrdom of Saint Matthew
- In Florence: visit of the Opificio delle Pietre Dure and its restoration laboratories (the restoration laboratories are considered as the most specialized and reknown in the world).
- Visit of the Antinori Art Project located in the contemporary winery Antinori nel Chianti Classico: half day excursion in the Chianti wine region to visit the spectacular contemporary winery of Marchesi Antinori and its collection of site specific contemporary art installations. Visit can include a wine tasting and lunch at restaurant Rinuccio 1180 overlooking the vineyards.