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Davenport, Iowa (December 2012) – The Figge Art Museum is pleased to announce it has received a grant from Humanities Iowa. The Figge was recently awarded a \$5,000 grant for its upcoming exhibition *Marking Territory: Cartographic Treasures of the Mississippi Valley and the World Beyond* which will be on display from March 3, 2013 – June 16, 2013.

Marking Territory is a Figge-curated exhibition that draws upon the map collection of the University of Iowa Libraries as well as a private collection. Featuring a selection of 25-plus historic maps that range from early representations of the world to more detailed examinations of America's vast interior west of the Mississippi, the exhibition explores how maps communicate highly complex ideas about identity, politics and culture. The exhibition will be part of the Figge's ongoing exhibition series *Visions of Iowa*. Established in 2009, the series provides a platform for showcasing art that provides a historical and contemporary perspective on the people and places that make up Iowa.

The exhibition will be supplemented with extensive educational programming such as lectures, gallery talks and family events. Funding from Humanities Iowa will be used to support educational programming for the exhibition.

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For more information and museum hours, contact the Figge at [563.326.7804](tel:563.326.7804) or visit www.figgeartmuseum.org

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