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Georgia O’Keeffe Museum Receives Preservation and Technology Grant

The Georgia O’Keeffe Museum is a recipient of a $30,000 federal grant from the National Center for Preservation Technology and Training.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE—November 2, 2017 (Santa Fe, NM) – The Georgia O’Keeffe Museum is pleased to announce that it is a recipient of a $30,000 federal Preservation and Technology Grant from the National Center for Preservation Technology and Training (NCPTT). A wing of the National Park Service, NCPTT awards these grants for historic preservation projects that demonstrate innovative use of science and technology.

The $30,000 federal grant will initiate a multi-year project to build a custom database that will house information about New Mexican locations represented in Georgia O’Keeffe’s works. Among the diverse landscapes depicted in the artist’s paintings are the Cerro Pedernal Mountain, the Chama River Valley, and Ghost Ranch. Termed “viewsheds”, these are areas of critical cultural importance. The database will support a mobile app and website about the historic sites. Using a compilation of historic and GPS data, users will be able to access detailed information about the viewshed, while they witness the site as O’Keeffe did.

Eventually, the Museum will collaborate with external organizations to replicate the O’Keeffe experience in viewsheds outside of New Mexico, including New York and Hawaii. Distribution of the grant funds will begin immediately to develop the project.

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ABOUT THE GEORGIA O'KEEFFE MUSEUM: To inspire all current and future generations, the Georgia O'Keeffe Museum preserves, presents and advances the artistic legacy of Georgia O'Keeffe and modernism through innovative public engagement, education, and research. Opened in Santa Fe, New Mexico in 1997, the Museum counts O'Keeffe’s two New Mexico homes as part of its extended collection. The Museum’s collections, exhibitions, research center, publications and educational programs contribute to scholarly discourse and serve a diverse audience. The Georgia O'Keeffe Museum presents an ongoing series of thematic galleries exploring the career of the artist through her artwork, art materials, archives, and the landscapes and experiences that defined her life, on view throughout 2017. For more information, please visit okeffemuseum.org.