



## **Fred and Betty Price Research Award**

Value: up to \$8,000

Duration: 1 June to 31 August

Number of awards available: 1

**Application deadline for 2015 Award: 19 February 2016 (5:00pm)**

The McCord Museum and the Institute for the Public Life of Arts and Ideas (IPLAI) invite applications from meritorious McGill graduate students in the Faculties of Arts, Education, Law, Management, and Religious Studies, and in the Schools of Architecture and Music, whose research directly involves the collections of the McCord Museum and reflects IPLAI's interest in innovative, interdisciplinary scholarship. Preference will be given to doctoral candidates who will have completed their coursework and comprehensive exams, but master's students writing theses will also be considered.

The McCord Museum's collections of 1,440,000 objects, images, and documents are an unparalleled resource for the study of the social history and material culture of Montreal, Quebec, and Canada. Its Ethnology and Archeology, Costume and Textiles, and Notman Photographic Archives collections are widely recognized as leaders in their fields. As well, the breadth and significance of the Textual Archives, Decorative Arts, and Paintings, Prints, and Drawings collections draw researchers with interests in a wide range of aspects of Canada's past. For more information on the McCord Museum collections and curatorial staff:

<http://www.mccord-museum.qc.ca>.

Recipients will be granted privileged access to collections and curatorial expertise. They will be assigned to a Museum curator, to whom they will submit a brief report at the end of the project.

A contract with the Museum will specify procedures for consultation of collections in storage, and the deposit of all related findings with the institution.

Applicants are strongly advised to speak with the curator(s) responsible for the collection(s) they would like to examine before submitting their applications. The curators will help determine the feasibility of proposed projects.

**Applicants should submit the following:**

- Research proposal identifying the collection(s) to be consulted, the relevance of these collections to the applicant's program of study, and the scholarly value of the proposed project. Award recipients will be expected to spend at least 12 weeks working on the project. The proposed research program should be sustainable across this period but will also need to be completed, or nearly completed, by the end of the summer. (1 page)
- CV
- Letter of recommendation (sealed envelope) from a McGill faculty member who can speak directly to the value of the proposed project and the applicant's capacity to undertake the proposed research.

Application materials may be sent or delivered to the following address on or before the posted deadline. Hard copies, please. Letters of reference may be sent electronically, but student applications must be hard copies.

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