Dr. Scott Dale working with the Haggerty’s curator of education, Lynne Shumow.

**What is Hispanic?** A Collaboration between the Haggerty and Dr. Scott Dale

Dr. Scott Dale (associate professor of Spanish, Department of Foreign Languages and Literature, Marquette University) was recently awarded an Andrew W. Mellon Foundation grant for an exhibition and catalogue he is creating in collaboration with the Haggerty titled, *What is Hispanic?* The Mellon Foundation supports a wide range of initiatives to strengthen institutions that sustain scholarship in the humanities and "humanistic" social sciences. Particular emphasis is on doctoral education, postdoctoral fellowships, faculty research, and discipline-related projects.

*What is Hispanic?* will showcase Medieval to contemporary paintings, prints, and photographs from the Haggerty’s permanent collection by Hispanic artists that address themes including:
politics, sexuality, history, family, migration, social justice, war, peace, race, sexism, spirituality, and hatred. The featured works will reveal a wide array of personal stories that inspire dialogue on the Hispanic experience and identity, as well as discussions on Surrealism, Cubism, the avant-garde, and Expressionism.

Dr. Dale has devoted much of his time this summer to researching works in the Haggerty collection and selecting pieces for the catalogue/exhibition. Approximately 30 works will be shown by artists including; Pablo Picasso, Salvador Dali, Enrique Chagoya, Joan Miró, Antoni Tàpies, Diego Rivera, and others.

According to Dr. Dale, "Looking at art created by Hispanic artists from different centuries and different countries is a creative way to better understand the intricacies of Hispanic cultures from all over the world. Seeing the best examples of Hispanic art at the Haggerty Museum offers the viewer an opportunity to identify core values, beliefs, customs, and emotions of Hispanic cultures. The selected art in this exhibit will offer comprehensive insight into the Hispanic experience and will address the obvious question, What is Hispanic?"

The What is Hispanic? exhibition will be on display at the Haggerty Museum from August through December, 2015.

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