



The NEW Barnes Museum Bridging Old and New in Downtown Philadelphia An Art Excursions Slide Lecture

In 2012, the most exciting art story of the 21st century reached its much-anticipated conclusion when The Barnes Museum opened in a new building in downtown Philadelphia.

Many had predicted a cultural disaster. Many said this should never have occurred at all. Despite precedent, protest and lawsuits, architects Billie Tsien and Tod Williams achieved the near-impossible: a relocated Barnes that remains an authentic Barnes.

In this lecture, art historian Jeff Mishur discusses the new museum and its relationship to one of America's great collections of Impressionism, Post-Impressionism and Early 20th Century Art.

Along the way, Mishur recounts the story of the collection's founder, Dr. Albert Barnes, and how his attempt to control a priceless art collection from the grave could not withstand powerful civic and legal forces that had other plans.

Jeff Mishur is co-owner of Art Excursions, a company that provides private guiding in Chicago; lectures; and boutique art and culture tours in the United States. A popular speaker about art historical and travel topics, Mishur has his M.A. in Art History from Northern Illinois University and has taught at the university level for many years.

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