

## YEAR-END MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR



Dr. Ena Heller,  
Executive Director

### 2011 has been a wonderful year for MOBIA:

- The exhibition *Passion in Venice*, with its unique look at the meaning of the Man of Sorrows as depicted in Renaissance Venice, drew our largest number of visitors in 2011. It won rave reviews in *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, and from museum professionals around the world. A senior curator at The National Gallery in London, England, called it “the very best iconographic show I have ever seen.”



- Our summer workshops attracted more than 500 children who came to explore *On Eagles' Wings*, our exhibition celebrating the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the King James Bible, and created illuminated letters and books. Working with The Children's Aid Society and Lincoln Square Neighborhood Center, we were able to bring MOBIA to underserved children in New York City.



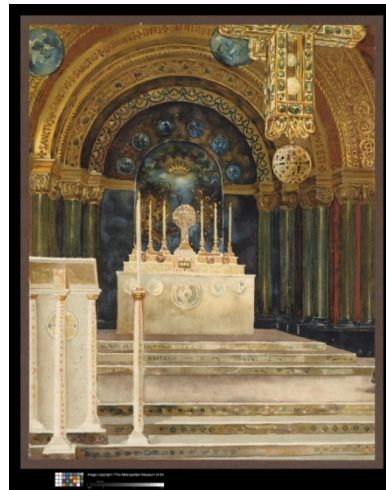
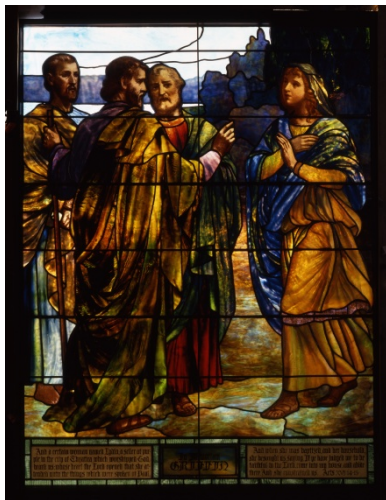
- MOBIA's followers on Twitter and Facebook quadrupled in 2011.

**2012 will bring:**

- The first ever reconstruction of 14<sup>th</sup>-century Sieneese artist Bartolo di Fredi's masterpiece *Adoration of the Magi* - to be seen in only two venues in the US.



- *Louis C. Tiffany and the Art of Devotion* - the first exhibition devoted exclusively to Tiffany's works for churches and synagogues, including many pieces shown in a museum setting for the first time. The catalog will be a landmark of Tiffany scholarship, and MOBIA will offer tours of Tiffany works in the Hudson Valley and in New York City.



**Of course, none of these exciting events can take place without the support of our friends and donors.** Please do what you can to allow MOBIA to continue presenting exhibitions and programs that educate and inspire. **A generous donor will match 2:1 all year-end donations.**

**THANK YOU,** and HAPPY HOLIDAYS from all of us at MOBIA!

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