MAMA News
August 1, 2019

MAMA Conferences - 2019, 2020 and Beyond!

The MAMA board received a sustainable crop of session and poster proposals for the 2019 Wonder and Sustainability conference and membership meeting taking place on October 17-19 in wonderful Springfield.

The membership meeting will also decide where the 2020 MAMA conference will be held. Three locations were discussed at the July board meeting: Hannibal, Rolla, and St. Charles.

I set up a survey to get everyone's opinion on where in the state we should hold the 2020 MAMA conference. Please either vote for one of the three locations, or nominate a location. As much as I would love to go to Maui for a conference, please keep suggestions to the state of Missouri.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SGDLRG2

For reference, previous conferences have been held in St. Joseph (2016), Kirksville (2017), and Jefferson City (2018).

News

Springfield Art Museum Boasts Third Year of Record-Breaking Attendance

The Springfield Art Museum is pleased to announce its third straight year of record-breaking attendance, welcoming 63,379 visitors since last July. Continuing a trend begun in 2017, the Museum is routinely serving 10,000 more patrons annually than the previous record.
set in 2004 when the Museum hosted a touring exhibition of Ansel Adams photographs.

Museum Director Nick Nelson notes, “These attendance figures demonstrate consistent, day-to-day use of the Museum as a valuable educational resource. These figures aren’t tied to some outside ‘blockbuster show’ or event. We are proud that our visitors are making real connections with our collection, in addition to all the exciting traveling exhibitions and community events happening at the Museum.”


Events

The Landing After Hours: Missouri’s Shady Ladies

Wednesday, August 7, 7:00pm, Jefferson Landing State Historic Site, Jefferson City

Most of us have heard of famous female outlaws such as Belle Star and Ma Barker. These ladies are far from incomparable. Many other women throughout Missouri’s history have joined the ranks of miscreants. Join Carrie Hammond, interpretive resource specialist with the Missouri State Museum, to learn about these famous Missouri women and several of their lesser-known counterparts.

https://mostateparks.com/event/81731/landing-after-hours-missouris-shady-ladies

U.S. Grant Symposium

Friday, August 9, 9:00am, Soldiers Memorial Military Museum, St. Louis

Join Missouri Humanities and the U.S. Grant Trail for the Sixth Annual U.S. Grant Symposium on August 9, 2019 in downtown St. Louis. The series features a principal lecture by Ulysses Grant expert and author Dr. Tim Smith of the University of Tennessee – Martin. Additional speakers and performances will round out this annual event, intended to highlight and solidify Missouri’s position at the center point for the study of Grant’s military and political life.

https://www.mohumanities.org/2019-grant-symposium/
State Historical Society of Missouri Grand Opening

Saturday, August 10, 10:00am, State Historical Society of Missouri, Columbia

Please join us for our Grand Opening as the Center for Missouri Studies begins a new chapter for the State Historical Society of Missouri. A ribbon-cutting ceremony will take place Saturday, August 10 at 10 a.m. followed by an Open House of our new headquarters. The public is invited to tour the new research library, art gallery, assembly hall and other areas open to visitors.

The day of our Grand Opening holds specific meaning to the Society and citizens of our state. We will dedicate and honor the 198th anniversary of Missouri statehood, also celebrated the same day. If you’re able to join us, we kindly ask for your RSVP as we plan for our celebration.

https://shsmo.org/thecenter/index.html

The Contributions and Legacies of Black Doughboys

Sunday, August 11, 2:00pm, Soldiers Memorial Military Museum, St. Louis

Join a panel of African American veterans from World War II to the present to discuss how the sacrifices made by veterans of the First World War transcended race and influenced the lives of American veterans for generations to come.

https://mohistory.org/events/the-contributions-and-legacies-of-black-doughboys_1565550000

In the Spirit Trip

Wednesday, August 21, 11:00-8:00, St. Joseph

Join us Wednesday, August 21, 2019, for an intoxicating day trip to Weston! We will enjoy a boxed lunch on the way to Riverwood Winery. After a tour and wine tasting we continue our journey to Holladay Distillery. Opening in 1856, it has a fascinating history that we will learn about as we tour the facility. We will wrap up the visit with a stop at the Welcome Center for a whiskey tasting. Participants will then have time to shop in Downtown Weston. Weston plays host to a variety of local boutiques featuring apparel, gifts and collectibles, antiques, and much more. Participants will then meet up for a barbecue dinner at Tin Kitchen. Following dinner we will head to Weston Brewing
Company. This Brewing Company was first established in 1842 and has gone through a number of changes over the years. Today they produce over 15 brands of beer. We will tour the facility with a beer tasting to conclude the evening. It will be barrels of fun!

https://www.stjosephmuseum.org/events-1/in-the-spirit-trip

**Historic Missouri Roadsides**

Thursday, August 22, 7:00pm, Missouri State Archives, Jefferson City

Who in Missouri hasn’t heard the call of the open road and felt the desire to get out of the city and see the beauty of the Show-Me State? In his latest book, *Historic Missouri Roadsides, Second Edition*, author and executive director of the Missouri Alliance for Historic Preservation, Bill Hart, offers all the history, recommendations and itineraries you need for a picturesque trip down a two-lane road or highway. Whether you’re a first-time visitor or an area local, Hart’s descriptions, photographs and illustrations will make you want to check out tours like Route 79 along the Mississippi River, El Camino Real leading down to the Missouri Bootheel or Route 24 spanning the width of the state from Kansas City to West Quincy. Along the way, he identifies locally owned businesses, restaurants and lodging with character and a hometown feel. Join us as Bill Hart takes the wheel to showcase the very best that small town Missouri has to offer.

https://friendsofmsa.org/events/index.php

**Workshops**

**Cultural Heritage Workshop - Caruthersville**

Thursday, August 15, 9:00-4:00, Caruthersville Public Library, Caruthersville

Join Missouri Humanities for a FREE one-day Cultural Heritage Workshop! Learn how heritage and culture benefit community.

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/caruthersville-cultural-heritage-workshop-tickets-59725360160?mc_cid=d9f2e0c0d7&mc_eid=124dab0307

**IMLS Grant Workshops**
Join the Institute of Museum and Library Services for the first-ever regional workshops exploring the 'how tos' of applying for IMLS museum grants. Eligible museums, universities, and related non-profits are encouraged to attend.

This full-day workshop will offer a comprehensive overview of the IMLS grant programs administered by the Office of Museum Services (OMS), special initiatives such as MAP, CAP, Museums for All, and Museums for Digital Learning, and other agency priorities and resources. OMS staff will help prospective applicants walk through the nuts and bolts of putting together a successful IMLS application.

This event has limited capacity and registrations will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. Attendance is limited to two staff members per institution. Select your regional workshop below to register.

https://www.imls.gov/events/imls-regional-grants-workshop-museums

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