

MAMA News

June 1, 2021



MAMA Conference 2021: Approaching the Horizon

Proposal Deadline: July 1

As Missouri celebrates its 200th anniversary, it allows us all to reflect on our state's history, but it also encourages us to look to the future. The theme for our Annual Conference is Approaching the Horizon. The conference will be held virtually.

Individuals from the museum/archives field and related communities are encouraged to present at this conference which will focus on creating optimism, growth, recovery, and new perspectives through planning and self-reflection as we strive to move forward in the post-pandemic world.

You are encouraged to submit session proposals that demonstrate how you are envisioning a new future for your museum/archives through strategic planning, business modeling, incorporating new perspectives and interpretations, generating greater access, enhanced programming, or other means of creating a better institution for the next 200 years!

Sessions may be 30-45 minutes in length. We encourage you to partner with other museum/archives professionals to collaborate on a panel or present individually.

Proposals should include:

- Name, Institution/Organization/Company, Address, Phone, Email
- Title of Proposed Session/Abstract or Description of Session
- Presenters' Names/Affiliation
- Length of Presentation (30 or 45 minutes)

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The deadline for submission is July 1, 2021. We invite individuals to submit proposals electronically to Christopher Gordon at cgordon@mohistory.org.

Conferences

Archives*Records 2021!: Together/Apart SAA Annual Virtual Meeting

August 2-6

SAA is committed to providing important learning and networking opportunities for the archives profession throughout these especially challenging times, and we're excited to experiment with new ways to connect with you. Your registration fees offset our actual virtual meeting costs and help to support our year-round activities, including advocacy, periodicals, free and low-cost online courses, and program development.

<https://www2.archivists.org/am2021/attend/Conference-Registration>

Employment

Executive Director of the Washington Historical Society

The Washington Historical Society in Washington, Mo., seeks a full-time executive director to serve at our museum. The director provides leadership, knowledge and skills necessary for the management, development, promotion and funding of the society.

<https://www.washmohistorical.org/content/WHS%20Director%20Job%20Description.pdf>

Events

Heritage Tourism in Missouri: Missouri Humanities Virtual Cultural Heritage Workshop

Thursday, June 10, 10:00, 1:00 and 3:00

Join Missouri Humanities for their summer Virtual Cultural Heritage Workshop on June 10th. This 3-Part workshop will focus on topics related to heritage tourism, and will feature presentations from: Stephen Foutes, Director, Missouri Division of Tourism at 10AM; Marci Bennett, Executive Director, St. Joseph Convention and Visitor's Bureau at 1PM, and Trish Erzfeld, Executive Director, Perry County Heritage Tourism at 3PM. To register for the series, visit www.mohumanities.org/tourism

St. Louis-Stuttgart Oral History Program

Missouri Humanities is partnering with St. Louis-Stuttgart Sister Cities and the City of Stuttgart, Germany on an upcoming oral history project. The goal of the project is to collect oral histories from Germans and Missourians alike who have a connection to St. Louis's German sister city, Stuttgart, including (but not limited to) people who have immigrated from Stuttgart, St. Louisans/Missourians who have visited Stuttgart, and members of the military who perhaps were stationed there. The goal of the project is to put together a narrative about the long history of the relationship between two cities, and to explore the connections people have with them. If you have a connection to Stuttgart and wish to tell your story, we'd love to hear from you! Visit the following link for more info:

<https://mohumanities.org/stuttgart-project/>

Internships

MAMA Diversity Internship Program

The Missouri Humanities Council and the Missouri Association of Museums and Archives invites museum and archival organizations across the State to apply to serve as a host site for paid undergraduate or graduate-level internships that will take place during the Summer or Fall Semester of 2020.

Sponsored by the Missouri Humanities Council and coordinated through MAMA, the internship program is designed to provide meaningful work experiences for students from diverse backgrounds interested in the museum profession. The internships will match students with museum and archival sites that will direct, and benefit from, a sponsored internship.

Internships can provide opportunities in interpretation, educational programming, exhibit design, marketing, collections management, and non-profit business management.

The internship provides a \$1500 stipend for 125 internship hours.

Host sites and students interested in participating in the program should email Sara Wilson at sara@stjosephmuseum.org or call 816-232-8471 for more information.

<http://missourimuseums.org/apply-now-diversity-internship-program/>

News

Provenance Research Grant at Mizzou Investigating Authentic, Inclusive Storytelling

With a three-year IMLS Early Career Development grant, MAMA's own Dr. Sarah Buchanan of the University of Missouri is developing extensible methods for communicating essential information found on

labels, sales receipts, and GPS coordinates in inclusive provenance narratives. Effective provenance research will help museums and archives display a greater variety of objects for new audiences and learning connections. Read more at <https://showme.missouri.edu/2021/provenance-how-an-objects-origin-can-facilitate-authentic-inclusive-storytelling/> and share your feedback with Dr. Buchanan via [email](#).

Resources

Resource Document for Small Institutions

[Resource Document for Small Institutions Apr2021.pdf](#)

SAA Archival Outlook May/June 2021

<https://mydigitalpublication.com/publication/?m=30305&i=707647&p=1>

Survey

The Foundation for Advancement in Conservation

As the Foundation for Advancement in Conservation plans for the future of our Connecting to Collections Care program, we want to hear from you. Which collections care topics do you want to learn more about? How can Connecting to Collections Care help small and mid-sized museums care for collections? Let us know by taking this 10-15 minute survey.

We know your time is valuable, so as a small token of appreciation for your time and insights, we'll select three survey respondents to receive a free registration for a Connecting to Collections Care course (a \$149 value). We thank you in advance for your participation!

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/C2C-21B>

Webinars

Changing Hearts and Minds Through Art

Thursday, June 10, 10:00

One year into a pandemic that has disproportionately affected communities of color and nearly a year following the brutal murder of George Floyd, museums continue to grapple with their role in advancing social justice – as storytellers, allies, and advocates. With over 40 years of experience curating exhibitions that address social justice issues, Carolyn Mazloomi has witnessed the power of art to welcome people to the conversation and to change their hearts and minds. During the second session in our Virtual Lightning Talk series, Carolyn will discuss the unique role of museums and exhibitions in

inspiring dialog with a focus on her recent project – We Are the Story.
Made possible by SAQA Global Exhibitions!

<https://www.midwestmuseums.org/events/lightning-talks/>

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