

MAMA News

September 1, 2021



Approaching the Horizon: 2021 MAMA Conference

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 conference will be held virtually and registration is open.

<https://mama.wildapricot.org/event-4325751>

Classified Ads

Free Sewing Machine - Pick Up Only

The Missouri Historical Society is giving away a free, working Tacsew T111-155 sewing machine. Pick up only, no delivery. Contact Christopher Gordon at <mailto:cgordon@mohistory.org> for details.

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Electronic Records Day 10/08/2021

E-records day will be 10/08/21 this year and the theme will be Fantastic Bits and How to Preserve Them. SERI committee members and other volunteers will be developing a webinar and an infographic. We are looking for additional ideas, projects, materials, or virtual events to include in the celebration of electronic records. Please

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contact mgallinger@gallingerconsult.com with your ideas or if you'd like to participate in electronic records day!

Events

African American Experience in Missouri: Negro Leagues Baseball Museum

Tuesday, September 14, 6:30 pm, Center for Museum Studies, Columbia

Join Bob Kendrick, president of the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum, for a look at "Negro Leagues: The Shining Stars Hidden in Darkness."

In celebration of the 101st anniversary of the founding of Negro Leagues Baseball, Kendrick will share stories, discuss legends, and explore the history of the Negro Leagues, an inextricable part of America's history.

As Kendrick shares in his Black Diamonds podcast, the Negro Leagues "were entertainers and icons. They were the shining stars hidden in darkness, in a league where the thunder in their bats made them unforgettable."

This program is free and open to the public.

<https://shsmo.org/events/2021/african-american-experience-kendrick>

Heritage Festival & Craft Show

Saturday and Sunday, September 18-19, Nifong Park, Columbia

Visitors will be taken back to the traditions of the past. Listen, learn, and see history as it comes alive. See artisans and tradesmen dressed in 19th century attire demonstrating their trades and selling their wares. A large contemporary handmade craft area will also be featured.

<https://www.como.gov/parks-and-recreation/special-events-2/annual-heritage-festival-craft-show/>

Contesting the Constitution: Congress Debates the Missouri Crisis, 1819-1821

Thursday, September 23, 7:00 pm, Missouri State Archives, Jefferson City

Also streaming live on Facebook

<http://www.facebook.com/missouristatearchives/live>

The admission of Missouri to the Union quickly became a constitutional crisis of the first order, inciting an intensive reexamination of the U.S. Constitution by Congress. At the heart of the matter was whether that body possessed the authority to place conditions on a territory, in this instance Missouri, regarding restrictions on slavery—before its admittance to the Union.

The larger question with which the legislators grappled involved the limits of the Constitution's provisions granting Congress the authority to affect the institution of slavery, both where it already existed and where it could expand. What would come to be known as the Missouri Crisis severely tested the still young republic and, some four decades later, would all but rend it asunder. Edited by Dr. William S. Belko, *Contesting the Constitution: Congress Debates the Missouri Crisis, 1819-1821* is a collection of original essays thoughtfully engaging the intersections of history and constitutional law presented by this historic impasse. Join us for a program on this timely volume that's certain to find eager readers among historians, legal scholars, political scientists, as well as many others who call Missouri home.

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

SMA Day!

Thursday, September 30

September is the month when we celebrate state museum associations. COSMA Communications Committee has devised a Tool Kit to make it easy for your SMA to participate. Join your COSMA colleagues in spotlighting the good work that you do and the special people who make it happen.

<https://statemuseumassociations.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/COSMA-Day-Toolkit-2021-FINAL.pdf>

Grants

Six IMLS Grants Available

Deadline: November 15

Museums and related organizations across the United States have six opportunities in the coming months to

apply for grants from the nation's primary source of federal funding for museum services.

The Institute of Museum and Library Services is now accepting applications for six grant programs:

- Museums for America
- Inspire! Grants for Small Museums
- Museums Empowered
- National Leadership Grants for Museums
- Museum Grants for African American History and Culture
- Native American/Native Hawaiian Museum Services

Applicants should review the notices of funding opportunity carefully to understand each program's specific goals and objectives, which are newly formulated this year to reflect the agency's focus on championing lifelong learning, strengthening community engagement, and advancing collections stewardship and access.

<https://www.imls.gov/grants>

Jobs!

MAMA Program Manager

Deadline September 13

Seeking to build capacity on its services to Missouri museums and archives through a collaborative partnership with the Missouri Humanities Council (MHC), MAMA seeks a Program Manager who will serve as a primary contact and general manager for the organization. Responsibilities include planning, organizing, directing and coordinating all programs, internships, and other activities of the organization to assure that board objectives are attained, plans fulfilled, and member needs met. The Program Manager will maintain effective internal and external relationships, ensure a streamlined process for event management, and develop a process for centralizing operations of the organization.

This is a full-time, one year (12 month) temporary position, \$45,000, no benefits, location flexible; date of hire negotiable (to start before Dec. 30, 2021). It reports

jointly to the President of MAMA and the Executive Director of the MHC.

<https://missourimuseums.org/new-position-missouri-association-for-museums-and-archives-program-manager/>

Request a Workshop

Request a Cultural Heritage Workshop with Missouri Humanities

Could your town benefit from a Cultural Heritage Workshop from Missouri Humanities? Visit the link below to request a workshop!

These workshops are tailored to the individual needs of your area, and are provided at no cost to your organization or community! Let us help you realize how cultural heritage can positively impact your community.

Questions? Contact Caitlin Yager, Director of Heritage Programs, at caitlin@mohumanities.org

To submit, visit <https://mohumanities.org/request-workshop/>.

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