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August 2021 newsletter

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OMA + WaMA
JOINT VIRTUAL CONFERENCE
SEP 13-15 2021
OMA-WaMA Conference

See the exciting lineup for the conference

The joint, virtual conference will include 12 sessions, two workshops, two roundtables, and a keynote address, including a lunch discussion with the speakers. See our conference-at-a-glance for more information. The program with descriptions and links will be available soon!

Other events include:

- OMA annual member meeting on Monday, September 13, 2:45-3:45 pm.
- After the member meeting, there will be in-person meet ups across the state on Monday, September 13 between 4:30 and 7 pm (details coming soon).
- Performances to start off the day on Tuesday and Wednesday, September 14 and 15.

Find out more about the conference.

Come to the OMA Annual Member Meeting

Monday, September 13, 2:45-3:45 pm

It's been two years since we've had a member meeting! The OMA member meeting will take place on the first day of the conference, right after a workshop on sharing why your museum matters, and a roundtable with funders. We will update members on the following:

- Membership
- Finances
- Board
- Programs
- Strategic plan
- DEAI statement
- Website

We also will feature some activities for our members to meet each other or reacquaint themselves.
Deadline is August 15 for sponsorships and meet ups

Would you like to sponsor the conference?

This is an excellent opportunity for Oregon museum professionals to increase their visibility. Sponsoring OMA programs will show your support of museums, as well as showcase the variety and excellence of the museum community in Oregon and Washington.

See sponsorship opportunities.

Would you like to host a meet up?

We are looking for institutions across the state to set up an informal meet up for colleagues on the first night of the conference, **Monday, September 13 between 4:30 and 7 pm**.

These in-person events on the first evening of our conference (after the OMA annual member meeting) will provide the camaraderie and networking that so many people are craving!

Interested in hosting a meet up? Send us an email at connect@oregonmuseums.org. Hosts are expected to follow all local guidelines relating to COVID-19 for in-person activities.

OMA News

Announcing our membership special

Join or renew now and stretch your membership through 2022! All memberships purchased from today will be valid for the remainder of the year and all of 2022. That's five months free!

Renew or join now and receive discounted registration to the Oregon Museums Association-Washington Museum Association Joint Virtual Conference 2021!
News

Wildfire resources from Oregon Heritage

During the devastating fires of 2020, Oregon Heritage put together a resource list for wildfire response and recovery. Once again, fires are raging in Oregon and this resource page is there for those that need it. Please stay safe this fire season!

- View the resource page (for wildfires and other disaster preparedness)
- If your heritage organization has been affected, please contact Oregon Heritage to help you figure out next steps: heritage.info@oregon.gov or 503-877-8834.
Statue of York destroyed in Mt. Tabor Park

The statue of York that was installed at Portland’s Mt. Tabor Park was found destroyed on July 28, 2021. The sculpture was installed by unknown persons in February 2021, on the pedestal that previously supported a statue of Harvey W. Scott.

The Regional Arts and Culture Council released a statement in response to the statue’s destruction, promoting the importance of public art pieces like this in sparking conversations and discussions around which individuals are represented in our public spaces. York was an integral member of the Lewis & Clark Expedition.

- Read more about York in this article from the Oregon Historical Quarterly: "York of the Corps of Discovery: Interpretations of York’s Character and His Role in the Lewis and Clark Expedition."
Museums and Creative Aging: A Healthful Partnership

This report commissioned by the American Alliance of Museums and written by Marjorie Schwarzer is a call to action for museums to change the narrative about what it means to grow old in America. Opening with an overview of aging and ageism in our country, the report documents actions being taken to foster positive aging, profiles the work of museums providing creative aging programming, and shares lessons learned from the Seeding Vitality Arts in Museums initiative.

- Read Museums and Creative Aging: A Healthful Partnership.
- See the presentation from the OMA 2019 Annual Conference: The creative age: How museums and arts organizations are inspiring creativity, connection, and engagement for an aging community.
Eugene Science Center

The Eugene Science Center is seeking a Planetarium Manager, Exhibits & Facilities Technician, and Guest Relations & Operations Director.

Oregon Museum of Science & Industry (OMSI)

OMSI is seeking a Corporate Relations Officer and several other positions.

Oregon Historical Society (OHS)

OHS is seeking a Curator of Exhibitions and Exhibits Preparators, and several other positions.

Development Associate - World Forestry Center

The World Forestry Center is seeking a Development Associate to join their fundraising team.

Find out more.
Oregon Humanities

Oregon Humanities' SHARP General Operating Support Grants and SHARP Project Support Grants are for 1) general operating support for humanities-focused organizations and 2) humanities program support to institutions that have been financially impacted by COVID-19. **Deadline is August 27, 2021.**

Trust Management Services, LLC

Trust Management Services, LLC actively seeks grant applications for projects in Oregon that emphasize education, community service, arts and culture, youth activities and historical preservation. **Deadline for Southwestern Oregon and Portland Metro is August 15, 2021.**

Oregon Community Foundation (OCF)

The OCF Oregon Historic Trails Fund is for developing interpretive, educational, and economic projects to preserve and protect the cultural and natural resources of Oregon's historic trails. **Deadline is August 31, 2021.**

Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) and the Foundation for Advancement in Conservation (FAIC)

IMLS and FAIC collections care cooperative agreements provide small and mid-sized museums with collections conservation assessments. **Deadline is September 15, 2021.**

Lepage Center for History in the Public Interest

The Lepage Center for History in the Public Interest will provide $5,000 for up to five projects engaging with the idea of turning points in history. **Deadline is August 31, 2021.**