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August 2022 newsletter

OMA Events

August webinar- Beyond sticky traps: Practical tips for effective museum pest management

Thursday, August 18, 2022, 12 - 1:30 pm PDT



Presenter: Heather Christenbury, Curator, [Coos History Museum](#)

When it comes to museum pest management strategies, preventative care is the safest and most cost-effective option. Whether writing your first pest management policy or simply looking for methods to protect your collections from pests, this webinar will cover how to write a basic integrated pest policy, address pest concerns, and how to keep museum staff and volunteers invested in the process.

Hosted by OMA board member Ariel Peasley.

- OMA members - \$15
- Non-members - \$25

[Register now](#)

September virtual meet up for educators

Monday, September 19, 2022, 3:30 - 4:30 pm PDT

The pandemic has changed so much about museum education. As tours and in-person programming were unavailable, we had to reinvent the ways in which we connected and worked with our audiences. Now that we're emerging to a place where in-person learning can take place again, we're still left grappling with how to move forward in a way that reflects all that we've learned.

During this virtual meet up, museum educators will have an opportunity to chat in small groups about welcoming back tour groups, integrating digital learning, recruiting and managing docents, and/or professional development outreach and facilitation. *This meet up is free to attend, but you must register to receive login details.*

Hosted by Amanda Coven, OMA Membership Chair and Director of Education at the Oregon Jewish Museum and Center for Holocaust Education.

[Register now](#)

WMA 2022 keynote speaker is Dina Bailey



WMA's 2022 Keynote Speaker is Dina Bailey, CEO of Mountain Top Vision, a consulting firm that generates systemic change within organizations so that they can more positively impact their communities and, so, impact the world. Using a unique approach that combines research in empathy, bias, antiracism, and DEAL with strategies and techniques from the fields of education, anthropology, and transitional justice, Dina specializes in supporting organizations as they transform themselves into places that consistently center on inclusion in decision-making and action.

[Find out more about Dina.](#)

[Register for WMA 2022](#)

Volunteer at WMA 2022

Multiple volunteer opportunities are available for WMA 2022. In return for volunteering, you can attend non-ticketed conference sessions! Sign up for four hours or more of volunteer opportunities, and then choose the equal number of hours in conference sessions to attend for no charge!

Send emails to: wma@westmuse.org and ask for more information, or to see a schedule of the volunteer opportunities and time slots available.

Community Engagement

Addressing extreme heat and creating cooling spaces webinar

Wednesday, August 10, 12 - 1:30 pm PDT

The Portland Bureau of Emergency Management is hosting a webinar on Heat Risk & Urban Heat Islands, and creating community cooling spaces. The session is free and will be held via Zoom. All are welcome to join, including those outside of the Portland area.

Wednesday, August 10, 2022

- 12 pm: Extreme Heat for Community Organizations
- 12:30 pm: Creating an Outdoor Misting Station with Rose Vakkai, De Rose Community Bridge and Holistic Wellness
- 1 pm: Q & A, conversation time

[Find out more and register.](#)

Become a National Voter Registration Day partner

National Voter Registration Day is September 20, 2022. Museums and history organizations that sign up to be a partner in registering people to vote receive a free voter registration kit and access to other opportunities to support non-partisan voter registration work.

[Find out more.](#)

Decolonization resources

“Relationships don’t have an end goal.” Q&A with Burke Museum’s Decolonization/DEAI team



Polly Olsen (left) and Aaron McCanna (right), Burke Museum Decolonization/DEAI team

In recent years, as more institutions have come to prioritize undoing inequitable structures and creating more welcoming and inclusive cultures in their place, they have begun to invest in full-time staff dedicated to leading these monumental tasks.

One of the institutions that have made this investment is the Burke Museum in Seattle, WA. To coincide with the opening of its new building in 2019, the natural history and culture museum on the campus of the University of Washington has foregrounded equity, inclusion, and tribal consultation.

[Read the interview with Polly Olsen and Aaron McCanna.](#)

Museums Alaska webinars

First Alaskans Institute and Museums Alaska will host a series of webinars on how to have respectful and meaningful conversations about racism, equity, stewardship, and other challenging topics that continually arise in the field.

Museum professionals outside of Alaska may attend webinars. For those based outside of the state, the webinars are \$10 each.

- [Tribal Sovereignty & Its Applicability to Museums Webinar](#) - Tuesday, August 16, 2022 9:00 AM (10 am PDT)
- [The Necessity of Access to Sacred Objects – Storage vs Stewardship Webinar](#) - Tuesday, August 23, 2022 9:00 AM (10 am PDT)
- [Repatriation and the Treatment of Ancestors Webinar](#) - Tuesday, August 30, 2022 9:00 AM (10 am PDT)
- [Decolonizing Museums Webinar](#) - Tuesday, September 06, 2022 9:00 AM (10 am PDT)

[Find out more.](#)

Oregon news

Time to review disaster preparedness plans

With wildfires in the news, please remember to review your disaster preparedness plans. If you don't have a plan for your organization, this is a good time to draft one. Below are some resources from Oregon Heritage for preparedness and examples of responses to wildfire threat and recovery.

- [Oregon Heritage Wildfire Response and Recovery Resources](#)
- [Oregon Wildfire Risk Explorer](#)
- [Disaster Planning Resources](#)
- [Worksheet for Outlining an Emergency Response Plan](#) (from NEDDC)

Free admission week for educators

August 8-14, 2022

During the week of August 8–14, educators are invited to visit the Japanese American Museum of Oregon, Lan Su Chinese Garden, Oregon Jewish Museum and Center for Holocaust Education, the Oregon Historical Society, Portland Art Museum, Portland Chinatown Museum, and Pittock Mansion for free as well as take part in educator-focused events and tours.

Please note that while some institutions request advance reservations to attend these programs, any educator who would like to attend will be welcomed! Please let staff at the institution's admission desk know that you are an educator to access free admission.

[Find out more.](#)

Jobs

Pittock Mansion

- [Development & Membership Coordinator](#)
 - [Part-time Visitor Services Representative](#)
 - [Director of Finance & Administration](#)
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Five Oaks Museum

- [Development & Communications Manager](#)
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Museum of the Oregon Territory

- [Community Engagement and Volunteer Coordinator](#)
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Eugene Science Center

- [Education Director](#)
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Confederated Tribes of the Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians

- [Cultural Resources Protection Specialist](#)
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Oregon Historical Society

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- [Native North American Curator of Collections](#)

Wallowa History Center

- [Development & Operations Coordinator](#)

Maxville Heritage Interpretive Center

- [Education Program Manager](#)

Columbia River Maritime Museum

- [Education Director](#)
- [Multiple positions](#)

Grants

Oregon Cultural Foundation

[Oregon Historic Trails Fund](#) supports projects that interpret, preserve or maintain Oregon's trail-related resources. **Deadline August 31, 2022.**

National Parks Service

[Unrepresented Communities grant](#). **Deadline August 10, 2022.**

[History of Equal Rights grant](#). **Deadline September 14, 2022.**

Library of Congress

Connecting Communities Digital Initiative encourages creators in Black, Indigenous, and communities of color to combine library materials with technology. [Grant for Libraries, Archives, Museums](#). **Deadline September 30, 2022.**

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