

Resources and Networking Opportunities for Staff, Board Members, and Volunteers in Alaska Museums

Welcome Museum Staff, Board Member, or Volunteer!

Thank you for your part in helping to preserve the cultural heritage of the state. Please use this one-page reference to familiarize yourself with the wealth of resources and networking opportunities available to you in the state! We are stronger together.



Museums Alaska (MA) is the statewide association for museum professionals, dedicated to strengthening museums. MA provides:

- A statewide annual conference
- Scholarships
- Professional recognition awards
- A volunteer service project
- Advocacy on behalf of museums
- A list of advocacy resources
- A list of Alaska's Museums online
- A weekly email newsletter
<http://eepurl.com/dakc55>
- The Art Acquisition Fund and Collections Management Fund grant programs, supported by Rasmuson Foundation
- An online job board
- Members-only content on our website:
 - Forms & templates
 - Sample documents & policies
 - Grant & funding opportunities
 - A directory of service providers
 - Partners & networking opportunities
 - Presentations & handouts
 - Discussion forums
 - Member Discount Program (15-20% off at Gaylord Archival, Hollinger Metal Edge, and University Products)

Please don't hesitate to reach out to us!

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The Alaska State Museum (ASM) Office of Statewide Libraries, Archives, and Museum Services provides services to museums and related organizations, including:

- Alaska Museum Listserv "akmuseums"
list.state.ak.us/mailman/listinfo/akmuseums
- Monthly Museum Chats online (co-hosted w/ MA)
- The Grant-in-Aid grant program
- Training workshops
- Consultation services and expert advice
- Resources for Alaska Museums:
 - A lending library
 - List of grant opportunities
 - Leadership development resources
 - Board Development resources
 - Human Resources reference material
 - Strategic planning resources
 - Emergency preparedness & response resources
- Object loans from ASM collections
- Hands-on loan program schools, museums, and other educational institutions in Alaska
- Traveling exhibits
- On-site assessments
- Natural and Cultural History Repository designator

Sincerely,

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- **AK Archivists**
AK Archivists networks Alaska's professionals working with archival materials.
- **Alaska Community Foundation**
ACF cultivates, celebrates, and sustains all forms of philanthropy to strengthen Alaska's communities forever, and has grant programs that exist to strengthen organizations.
- **Alaska Historical Society**
Alaska Historical Society (AHS) is the statewide history association that co-hosts an annual conference with Museums Alaska.
- **Alaska Humanities Forum**
The Alaska Humanities Forum is dedicated to strengthening and connecting communities across Alaska using the humanities, and has grant programs.
- **Alaska Office of History and Archaeology**
OHA includes the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and is responsible for cultural resource management, historic preservation, and more for the state.
- **Alaska State Council on the Arts**
ASCA represents supports and advances the creative endeavors of individuals, organizations and agencies throughout Alaska, and provides grant opportunities.
- **Alaska State Historical Records Advisory Board**
ASHRAB recognizes that historical records are our priceless legacy. ASHRAB offers grants for archives-based projects, and reviews grant proposals submitted to NHPRC.
- **American Alliance of Museums**
AAM champions museums and nurtures excellence in partnership.
- **The Foraker Group**
The Foraker Group serves as the state association and capacity building organization for nonprofits and tribes across Alaska.
- **Institute of Museum and Library Service**
IMLS advances, supports, and empowers America's museums, libraries, and related organizations through grantmaking, research, and policy development.
- **National Endowment for the Arts**
NEA supports participation in the arts, exercising imaginations, and developing creative capacities. They award grants for arts based projects.
- **National Endowment for the Humanities**
NEH promotes excellence in the humanities and conveying the lessons of history to all Americans. They award grants for humanities and collections-related projects.
- **National Historical Publications & Records Commission**
NHPRC promotes the preservation and use of America's documentary heritage essential to understanding our democracy, history, and culture. Grants are available.
- **Northwest Archivists**
Northwest Archivists is a regional association of archivists in the Pacific Northwest United States to enhance professional development and networking.
- **Western Museums Association**
Western Museums Association (WMA) serves museums by providing vision, enrichment, intellectual challenge, and a forum for networking.