

SPRING 2009 WORKSHOPS

The Wisconsin Federation of Museums and the Wisconsin Historical Society are once again partnering to host a series of spring workshops on a wide range of topics of interest to museum professionals and volunteers.

How to Develop Successful Youth Programs

Monday, April 6, 2009 9:30 am—3:00 pm
Weis Earth Science Museum
University of Wisconsin—Fox Valley
1478 Midway Road
Menasha, WI 54952 920-832-2925

Cost:
 WFM Member or WHS Affiliate member \$30.00
 Non-Member (includes WFM membership) \$55.00

Directions to Weis Earth Science Museum: www.weismuseum.org

Workshop Leaders: Joanne Kluessendorf, Director of the Weis Earth Science Museum; Nancy Mathews, Senior Curator of Education of the Kenosha Public Museum; Jennifer Van Haften, Curator of Interpretation of Old World Wisconsin

Museums bring unique assets to youth education, including specialized knowledge, real artifacts, hands-on interaction, and experiences that make learning fun and rewarding. This workshop will showcase a variety of youth programming in museums, including Scouts, K-12 school field trips, summer camps, after-school, and event programs. We will examine the philosophy behind youth programming, review trends in the field, share best practices, provide program ideas & guidelines, survey potential community collaborations, and discuss how to evaluate a program's success. This workshop will be valuable to smaller organizations and entry level educators.

After a Disaster: Saving and Salvaging Collection Materials and Artifacts *

Monday, April 20, 2009 9:30 am—4:00 pm
Geneva Lake Museum of History
255 Mill Street
Lake Geneva, WI 262-248-6060

*** Register early as maximum participant number will be 30 for this workshop**

Cost:
 WFM Member or WHS Affiliate member \$ 55.00
 Non-Member (includes WFM membership) \$ 80.00

Directions to Geneva Lake Museum of History: www.genevalakemuseum.org/visit.html

Workshop Leaders: Neil C. Cockerline, Director of Preservation Services and Elisa L. Redman, Assistant of Preservation Services, Midwest Art Conservation Center (MACC)

The instructors will discuss all aspects of a long-range salvage operation including an overview of various disasters and their effects on different types of materials; prioritizing salvageable artifacts; material needed for a salvage operation; handling damaged artifacts; methods of drying various types of artifacts; pros and cons of various methods of freeze drying; preventing mold outbreaks; simple cleaning procedures that staff may carry out; types of damages that require a professional conservator; labeling affected artifacts; time factors involving recovery and salvage; recording recovery efforts; and the impact of salvaging collections on other museum operations. Lectures & slides will accompany practical exercises in recovery procedures for damaged artifacts using material from MACC's study collection.

Lunch sponsored by the Midwest Registrar's Committee

Costume Curation *

Friday, May 8, 2009 9:30 am—3:00 pm
Pyle Center, Room 213, University of Wisconsin—Extension
702 Langdon Street
Madison, WI 53706 608-262-1122

*** Register early as maximum participant number will be 30 for this workshop**

Cost:
 WFM Member or WHS Affiliate member \$30.00
 Non-Member (includes WFM membership) \$55.00

Directions to The Pyle Center: www.conferencing.uwex.edu/location.cfm

Workshop Leader: Leslie Bellais, Wisconsin Historical Museum Curator of Costumes and Textiles

Learn how to take care of your historical society's or museum's clothing collection. Wisconsin Historical Society's Curator of Costume & Textiles, Leslie Bellais, has traveled around the state helping small historical societies grapple with their clothing collections. She has learned what questions staff at these institutions ask and what they want to know. In this workshop topics covered will include identifying what we have, deciding what we should collect, numbering and cataloging, dating women's clothing, and mounting garments, especially Victorian dresses, for exhibits on a budget. Attendees are welcome to bring up to two items for Ms. Bellais to identify or date.

Communications and Publications for Small Institutions

Monday, May 11, 2009 9:30 am—3:00 pm
Dunn County Historical Society—Russell J Rassbach Heritage Museum
1820 Wakanda Street
Menomonie, WI 715-232-8685

Cost:
 WFM Member or WHS Affiliate member \$30.00
 Non-Member (includes WFM membership) \$55.00

Directions to Russell J Rassbach Museum: www.discover-net.net/~dchs/sitehm.html

Workshop Leaders: Tyler Widen of ColorPath and Erika Janik, Wisconsin Historical Society Author and Newsletter Editor

In this workshop participants will discover and learn the basics of digital printing, bulk mailing, newsletter design, editing and publication. Participants will be encouraged to review their current methods of communication with their audience or membership and evaluate possible new methods to share in communicating an institutional mission with membership and potential new members or donors.

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----- Registration Form -----

Spring 2009 Local History and Museum Workshop

~Photocopy this form for additional registrations. Submit form at least 7 days before the date of the workshop you wish to attend~

~Lunch will be provided at each workshop~

Name _____
 Organization/Affiliation _____
 Address _____
 City, State, Zip _____
 Telephone and E-mail _____

Method of Payment

- Check - Make checks payable to the Wisconsin Historical Society
 Visa
 MasterCard

Credit Card # _____ Exp. date _____

Signature _____

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Return this form with your payment to:

Amy Norlin
 Wisconsin Historical Society
 816 State Street,
 Madison, WI 53706

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