

This Month in NYS Museums: October 2022

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Welcome to our October edition of "This Month in NYS Museums"!

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MANY News

Community-Driven Economic Development Strategy: Utilizing Cultural Sites to Anchor and Transform the Michigan Street African American Heritage Corridor



Birdseye rendering from the Michigan Street African American Heritage Corridor Strategic Action Plan, 2022

Buffalo's Michigan Street played a unique role in local and national American history including the Underground Railroad and the Civil Rights Movement. It was home to many residents involved with the Niagara Movement –a precursor to the National Association for the Advancement of Colored Persons (NAACP) and the Colored Musician's Club that helped shape the Jazz Age.

"We're trying to promote and encourage more people to live in this Corridor," said Terry Alford, Executive Director of the Michigan Street African American Heritage Corridor Commission (MSAAHCC). "We're looking at using this part of the Corridor as the economic engine, focusing on heritage tourism with the hope that it will spur community development...not just in this part of the Corridor with our four cultural anchors, but to serve as an economic engine to develop the entire 3.5 miles of the Corridor."

As part of New York State's overall effort to target revitalization in Western NY's underserved neighborhoods, Empire State Development (ESD)

committed \$65M in state funding to revitalize Buffalo's East Side through investments in nine target areas along Jefferson, Fillmore, Bailey, and Michigan Avenues.

MSAAHCC received \$7M for capital improvements and to facilitate a coordinated tourism destination with four cultural anchor sites.

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Pomeroy Fund for NYS History Awards \$100,000 to Support Museum Educators and Educational Programs



The Pomeroy Fund for NYS History has awarded 20 history-related organizations across New York State \$5,000 each during its fifth grant round to bring back or hire museum educators.

The Pomeroy Fund, which is a partnership between the William G. Pomeroy Foundation® and the Museum Association of New York (MANY), has awarded almost \$300,000 to 96 history-related organizations across New York State since spring 2020.

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Letter from Erika: Communicating Value





Dear Members, Friends, and Colleagues,

Last week, the American Association of State and Local History published their 2022 National Visitation Report. The report illustrates that although some history organizations saw as much as a 75% increase in attendance in 2021 over 2020, overall visitation remains well below pre-pandemic levels. With hard data like this, organizational leaders and stakeholders can gain insights into the progress of the sector's ongoing recovery.

Quantifiable trends clearly show that museums can no longer operate –care for collections, produce exhibitions, and engage with communities– the way that they operated in 2019. But how much funding do museums need now and for what purposes? How do we measure the value that museums bring as economic drivers? How can we show all the ways that that museums contribute to communities?

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Job Board

MANY is committed to salary transparency.

As of June 1, 2022 all job postings require a salary range.

Program and Gallery Educator - Jackie Robinson Museum

Executive Director -Roslyn Landmark Society

Executive Director -Niagara History Center

Museum Manager - All Things Oz Museum

Executive Director - Thousand Island Arts Center, Handweaving Museum

Assistant Director of Development and Outreach – American Numismatic Society

Executive Director -National Bottle Museum

Contract Exhibit Fabricator - The Strong National Museum of Play

Associate Director, Education & Storytelling Initiatives -Sugar Hill Children's Museum of Art & Storytelling

Diversity Fellowship in Museum Education -Adirondack Experience

Director of Public Programs & Partnerships – American LGBTQ+ Museum

Curator - Fenton History Center

Business Manager - Mid-Hudson Discovery Museum

Development Associate -miSci

Park and Rec Aid/Office Manager -Schuyler Mansion and Crailo State Historic Sites

Arts Program Director -New York State Council on the Arts (NYSCA)

Explore more job opportunities

Hiring? MANY Organizational and Industry Members post museum jobs for free. For other job posting opportunities, please contact the MANY office at info@nysmuseums.org or call 518-273-3400

When's the last time a consultant gave you something for free? CLICK HERE for free museum exhibit design resources and articles.



2023 Annual Conference



As we all discover new ways to use the transformative power of museums as places for human encounters and face challenges created by the ways in which our lives and our institutions have changed over the past three years, we hope that you will join us as we explore **Access, Inclusion, Participation, and Engagement** as pathways to finding center for our institutions and our audiences.

Submit your proposals for conference sessions, workshops, panel discussions, facilitated discussions, and peer-to-peer learning experiences.

Learn more

Deadline is Monday, November 14

Have a question about a proposal idea or if you are interested in hosting a workshop or a tour, but aren't sure how to proceed, please contact MANY staff at conference@nysmuseums.org or call us at 518-273-3400



Nominate your museum or museum colleague for an Award of Distinction!

MANY's Awards of Distinction recognize the exceptional achievements of New York's museums

and museum professionals. Awards celebrate museums and honor museum professionals who create transformative experiences for visitors, shape innovative programs, and use collections to tell the stories of everyone who calls New York home.

Any museum or individual may nominate an organization, person(s), or project completed in 2022 at a museum, heritage, or cultural organization in New York State. Nomination of oneself or one's organization is permissible and encouraged

Award categories:

→ Excellence in Design

Awards in Publications & Graphics, Media & Marketing, and Exhibition Design

- → Engaging Communities
- → Individual Achievement
- → Anne Ackerson Innovation in Museum Leadership
- → Rising Star
- → Board of Director Special Achievement Award

Learn more

Nominations are due Wednesday, November 30 at 5 PM

Upcoming Virtual Programs



New Solutions for House Museums: Old and New Ideas for Financial Stability

Friday, November 4

12 - 1:30 PM EST

Learn how history organizations in South Dakota, Maryland, Massachusetts, and New Jersey, highlighted in the second edition of *New Solutions for House Museums: Ensuring the Long-Term Preservation of America's Historic Houses*, have become financially sustainable in a conversation between author Donna Ann Harris and Ken Turino of Historic New England.

Donna Ann Harris, Principal, Heritage Consulting Inc.

Kenneth Turino, Manager of Community Partnerships and Resource Development, Historic New England

This webinar is free; advance registration is required.

Click here to register

Learn more



Seventh Generation Model: Collaboration Between the Adirondack History Museum and *OurStoryBridge*, Connecting the Past and the Present

Friday, November 18

12 - 1:30 PM EST

Hear how a rural library developed an online audio local history project to share the past and present of their town, then collaborated with a local museum to bring the museum's exhibits to life through use of the stories collected. Learn how to bring their free model to your museum.

Jery Y. Huntley, MLS, Keene Valley Library

Aurora McCaffrey, Director, Adirondack History Museum

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Learn more

Explore all virtual programs

Accessibility

MANY is committed to making our virtual programs as accessible as possible. All virtual programs will have closed captioning. For ASL interpretation, please email info@nysmuseums.org at least two weeks prior to the program.



Funding Opportunities

IMLS Museum Funding Opportunities Open

Now through November 15, museums and related organizations across the U.S. have six opportunities to apply for grants from the nation's primary source of federal funding for museum services. The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) 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

At IMLS, we are looking to reach and support museums of all sizes and disciplines through our existing programs," said Laura Huerta Migus, Deputy Director of Museum Services. "These grant programs fund all types of projects that support museums' work in their communities, whether through direct service or by increasing their institutional capacity. We encourage all museums to consider applying and to contact IMLS staff if you have questions about which grant program best fits your needs."

Deadline is November 15, 2022

Learn more

New York State Council on the Arts (NYSCA) Capital Projects Fund

NYSCA's Capital Projects fund will focus on supporting cultural institutions seeking state funding for investments in capital improvements that allow the organizations to sustain and expand

cultural programming for diverse audiences, promote accessibility and environmental sustainability, preserve and create jobs, and ultimately contribute to the growth of New York's arts and tourism sectors.

All New York State nonprofit arts and culture organizations with eligible capital projects are encouraged to apply for NYSCA's Capital Projects Fund.

Deadline is January 12, 2023

Learn more

Request for Proposals -NYSCSS Convention 2023

"Pivotal Learning: Teaching Social Studies in a Changing World"

Albany, March 9 - 11, 2023

Submit a proposal for a presentation that focuses on the pivotal role of teaching and learning Social Studies in a changing world. Be part of one of the best Social Studies professional learning experiences in New York

Accepting proposals for presentations and clinic workshops for these strands:

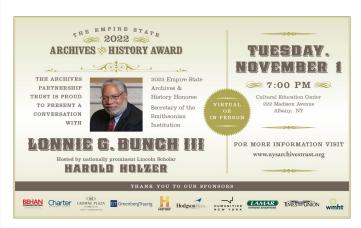
- Interdisciplinary Connections
- Pedagogy and Methodology in Social Studies Classrooms
- · The Changing Field of Social Studies
- Engaging Citizenship Education

Deadline is November 1, 2022

Learn more

If you have questions about the program or proposals, please reach out to Allison Weller, Convention Chair at vpmemberoutreach@nyscss.org





2022 Empire State Archives & History Award

Tuesday, November 1

7 PM

Cultural Education Center, Albany

The Museum Association of New York is proud to support the Archives Partnership Trust in honoring the 2022 Empire State Archives & History Award honoree Lonnie G. Bunch III.

Lonnie G. Bunch III is the 14th Secretary of the Smithsonian, overseeing 21 museums, 21 libraries, the National Zoo, numerous research centers, and several education units and centers. A widely published author, Bunch has written on topics ranging from the black military experience, the American presidency and African American history in California, diversity in museum management and the impact of funding and politics on American museums.

The Empire State Archives and History Award acknowledges the outstanding contribution by a national figure to advance the understanding and uses of history in society.

Learn more

Museums in the News

Bill to conduct NY museum study, census awaits governor's signature

Executive Order Re-establishes the President's Committee on the Arts and Humanities Under IMLS

RIT students help museums preserve artifacts with studio photography

Climate change is here. These New Yorkers are focused on solutions (The Wild Center's "Climate Solutions" exhibition)

Governor Hochul announces unprecedented \$150 million in capital funding opportunities to open for arts and culture organizations

Intrepid Museum exhibit and program honors women astronauts

The Bronx Museum of the Arts presents the borough and all of its swagger

Studio Museum in Harlem welcomes three new artists-in-residence

Words and Actions: Queens Museum Shows About Seeking Racial Justice

American LGBTQ+ History Museum taking shape in New York City

New hires!

New curator of modern and contemporary art appointed by The Hyde Collection

Westchester Children's Museum appoints new executive director

Storm King Art Center appoints associate curate ahead of \$45M capital project

The Metropolitan Museum of Art appoints Whitney W. Donhauser as Deputy Director and Chief Advancement Officer

What's happening at your museum? Submit your museum news as a newsletter article!

How is your museum growing **institutional resources**, including welcoming new staff and board members and securing funding for projects, how is your museum **working with their community and visitors**; and how we use our **exhibitions and collections in new ways**.

The deadline to submit for the November "This Month in NYS Museums" newsletter is November 17. Email meves@nysmuseums.org

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