



Call for Session Proposals

Theme: Service in Uncertainty 2021 PA Museums Annual Conference April 2021

The PA Museums Annual Conference offers museum professionals an interactive forum for the exchange of ideas, professional networking and discussion of trends in the museum field. The event is an excellent opportunity for professionals to reconnect and recharge as well as learn from colleagues.

Pennsylvania's museums faced daunting challenges in 2020. As we look to 2021, and to the more distant future, we know there will be more obstacles to navigate and more changes to come. With new tools and discoveries, visitor expectations shift. People who work in museums – staff, trustees, volunteers, interns, donors, and contractors – bring with them a level of devotion and a willingness to put the museum and its future first. Still, service is central to our museum missions.

As technology, scholarship, activism, and member needs move us ahead, how can our museums continue to serve their communities? How can museum leadership and practice, embrace, support, and reward the value of service?

PA Museums' 2021 Annual Statewide Museum Conference will foster discussion around this broad theme, and we invite session proposals that tie-in to the value of service.

Please send us your proposal in the format below:

Title:

Session Description: include concept, area of relevance i.e., collections, fundraising, etc. and intended audience; list learning/presentation goals. Please limit to 100 words.

Session Learning Objectives: Please limit to 50-100 words.

Each session will be 45 minutes in length.

Presenters:

Include name, title and contact information. Please include bios.

Email conference proposal by October 16, 2020 to chrisoula@pamuseums.org

PA Museums will continue to assess how COVID-19 impacts in-person events. As you develop your session proposal, please consider how it might be adaptable to a virtual format.