Greetings GAMG Members!

It is hard to believe that the summer is almost over! For many of us, it has been a busy season of summer programming, camps, tours, exhibitions, planning, and maybe even a little time off. Your GAMG board has also been hard at work planning for the year ahead. As part of our discussions, we wanted to remind our membership of what our organization has to offer. GAMG provides numerous resources to help advertise your events, post job announcements, and to spread the good news of what the museums in our state have to offer. If you have never submitted a story or an announcement, please do so! I also hope that you will mark your calendars for the 2019 GAMG Conference in Atlanta. The conference is scheduled for January 23-25, 2019 and information will be posted to the conference site at http://www.gamg.org/conference.html. Finally, the MUSE program is an excellent resource to gather experts to assist you with any issues in your museum. If you have not applied for MUSE, please visit http://www.gamg.org/newsandevents.html for more information.

Please let me or any member of the board know if we can be of any assistance to you. See you in Atlanta for GAMG 2019!

Best,
Matthew S. Davis
President
After 30 years in the museum field, I am still in awe of the powerful stories museums are telling and the creative ways galleries are engaging visitors. Despite budget cuts, staffing shortages, and natural disasters, you each continue to pursue your mission with drive and determination. Thank you to each one of you out there who works to continue to make a difference.

GAMG is here to help you along the way, and the upcoming Annual Meeting is an outstanding resource whether you are working in an all-volunteer organization or at a museum with a large endowment. Not only are there sessions for emerging museum professionals, but hands-on workshops for seasoned employees, and many opportunities for networking with colleagues and talking one-on-one with vendors who can provide needed expertise.

This year's meeting site, The Georgian Terrace, will provide the perfect setting for the educational components of the meeting, while the great city of Atlanta will give us plenty of art, history, and culture to explore. So don’t miss out on this great opportunity to reconnect and recharge!

News You Can Use

The National Preservation Institute offers a variety of continuing education training seminars focused on enhancing the skills of professionals responsible for caring for cultural resources. NPI has scheduled two sessions for Atlanta in early October:

October 2-3, Historic Windows: Managing for Preservation, Maintenance & Energy Conservation

October 4-5, The Recent Past: Strategies for Evaluation

For seminar descriptions and agendas, visit www.npi.org/seminars

Wisconsin Historical Society offers a variety of free webinars that are of interest to museum professionals. All webinars begin at 1:30 CST, but if you can't join the session live, you are able to sign up to view a recording at a later time. Upcoming sessions include:

October 10 – Book conservation

October 17 – Clues in the Dress: Dating Photographs from Clothing

October 31 – Dealing With Digital Data

For questions, email rick.bernstein@wisconsinhistory.org.
This form is for the use of conference participants only. Exhibitors and Vendors registering to conduct business must complete an Exhibitor registration form.

Each registrant (including session presenters) must submit a registration form.

**Registration Rates**

The pre-registration rate is $195.00 and must be received on or before January 7, 2019. Mail to GAMG, ATT: Michele Rodgers, P.O. Box 2133, Marietta, GA, 30061. You may also register online at www.gamg.org. The rate for registration after January 7, 2019 is $215.00.

The on-site registration rate is $215.00 for members. You may also join GAMG or renew your membership with your pre-registration or at on-site registration.

The single day registration rate is $130.00 per day for GAMG members.

Fulltime students may register for the full conference at the student rate of $170.00 if the registration form is accompanied by a copy of a current university/college ID or a letter from the university/college indicating fulltime enrollment. Student registrations received online will not be complete until a copy of the university/college ID is received. **Ask about special student day rate.**

Spouses attending conference sessions must register. Spouses participating in the meal events are required to pay as follows. Breakfast $25.00, Lunch $25.00, Dinner $25.00, Awards Luncheon $25.00

**Membership Categories**

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**Institutional Membership**

Sliding scale based upon annual operating budget:

- $0 - $100,000: $50
- $100,001 - $250,000: $100
- $250,001 - $750,000: $200
- $750,001 – 1 million: $250
- More than 1 million: $300

**Conference Hotel Information:**

The Georgian Terrace
659 Peachtree Street NE
Atlanta, GA 30308
404-897-1991

Conference rate ranges from $169 - $209 plus tax and fees. Mention GAMG to receive this special rate.

**Do you have an ADA disability that we need to be aware of when you come to our Annual Meeting? If so, please contact GAMG Administrative Director Michele Rodgers at gamg@gamg.org or 770-853-7539 so we can assist in making sure you have a great conference.**

**Don't forget to bring items for the auction to benefit the MUSE program!! Gift baskets, original art, jewelry, pottery, and locally made items are top sellers.**
The GAMG Board is excited to hold the annual meeting in Atlanta for the first time in the organization’s history. The capital city offers a range of unique cultural institutions, featuring international art exhibits, musicians, and award-winning theater, as well as historic houses, thought provoking history exhibits, and delightful museums of all types. Join GAMG January 23-25, 2019 as the conference offers workshops, sessions, and speakers that will kick-start your new year with fresh ideas and new energy to approach the important work of your organization.

The Host Committee has planned fun evening events and secured free admission to many of Atlanta’s attractions for conference attendees. So come early and stay through the weekend to take advantage of the city's hospitality. This year we've added a number of pre-conference tours and events for Tuesday, January 22nd, for those who want to explore Atlanta. Some of the participating institutions include: Atlanta Federal Reserve Bank Monetary Museum, Atlanta History Center, The Breman Museum, Fernbank Science Center, The Wren's Nest, Robert C. Williams Paper Museum, Oakland Cemetery, Michael C. Carlos Museum at Emory University, Coca Cola Archives, Martin Luther King Jr. Birth Home, Fox Theater, Hammond House, The Herndon Home, Center for Puppetry Arts, SCAD FASH, the Chik-Fil-A Corporate Museum, and many more.

The historic Georgian Terrace hotel will be the site of most sessions and the Exhibit Hall, featuring vendors ranging from exhibit design firms to publishers to library services. The Georgian Terrace has agreed to special rates that range from $169 to $209 plus taxes and fees and will hold those rates for us until Monday, December 24, 2018. To make reservations call 800-651-2316 or 800-897-5053.

In addition to workshops and sessions, vendors will be set up in the Exhibit Hall to share information about the variety of services offered to museums and galleries. This will provide a great opportunity for exploring the wide range of companies that can assist your institution, whether you have a small publication project or a major exhibition planned for the future.

We will continue our tradition of holding an auction to benefit our MUSE grant program, so be sure to bring fun, creative items for the live and silent auctions.

As always, final details will continue to be worked out in the coming weeks, so visit www.gamg.org for the latest conference news. It's not too early to register, so complete the enclosed form and plan to join us in January!

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**Workshops Include:**

* Keep Calm and Carry On: Crisis Communications
* STEM Strategies for Museum Education: A Cross-Curricular Approach
* Conservation on Paper

**Sessions Include:**

* Beyond Books: A New Chapter for Museum Stores
* Working Together: Using Tourism Resources to Attract Visitors
* History and Intrigue: Creating a Murder Mystery Game at Your Institution
* Wiggle, Play and Learn: Toddler Programming in Motion
* Dealing with Difficult Subjects and People
* Attracting and Inspiring Adult Audiences
* EMP Connection: Speed Networking
* Other Duties as Assigned
* Educator, Interpreter, Marketer?
* Developing Interdisciplinary Programming for New Audiences
* Locked and Possibly Loaded: The Struggle to Preserve and Exhibit Weapons of Any Kind
* Social Media and Collections: Making it Work
* How to Attract the African American Visitor
* Show Me the Money! What Should You Include in Your Grant Application?
* Retail Operations Management
* Eight Things Every Museum Leader Should Know About Fundraising
* Historic House Museum Forum
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Atlanta Federal Reserve Bank Monetary Museum
Atlanta Historical Society
Augusta Canal Authority
Augusta Museum of History
Averitt Center for the Arts
Biblical History Center
Booth Western Art Museum
Bowdon Historical Society
Cherokee County Historical Society
Chieftains Museum
Collectible & Antique Chair Gallery
Decatur Historical & Genealogical Society
DeKalb History Center
Foxfire Fund
Georgia College & State University Fine Arts Dept.
Georgia Southern University Museum
Georgia World Organization of China Painting Museum
Georgia Writers Museum
Grady County Historical Society
Heritage Station Museum
Historic Banning Mills
Historic Westville
Kingston Woman’s History Club
Marietta Museum of History
SCAD FASH
SCAD Museum of Art
Southeastern Museums Conference
Thiokol Memorial Project

INDIVIDUAL/STUDENT
Betsy Beaman
Courtney A. Christy
Cathy Lee Eckert
Marty Mulinix
Kalin Thomas

NEW & RENEWING MEMBERS SINCE JUNE 2018

INFORMATION ON BECOMING A MEMBER

Georgia Association of Museums and Galleries is comprised of more than 200 members including individuals, businesses and art, history, natural history, and science museums.

We are open to all non-profit museums, galleries, history centers, science museums and museum associations dedicated to the development and implementation of professional museum practices.

If you are interested in becoming a member or are interested in the exceptional benefits GAMG has to offer, please visit:

www.gamg.org for more information.