



# AMM Messenger

Keeping YOU in touch with the **Manitoba Museum** community!

January 22, 2020

## Editor's Note

As you've no doubt noticed the look of the AMM Messenger has changed. We recently had to change our email provider and we are still working out the kinks.

Your comments and suggestions regarding the layout, colours, legibility, etc., would be greatly appreciated.



### **150 for 150 Exhibit**

An online exhibit celebrating Manitoba's distant past and 150 years in Confederation.

### **Training Opportunities**

- [AMM CPMP - current calendar](#)
- [Canadian Conservation Institute](#)
- [Creative Manitoba](#)
- [Manitoba Tourism Education Council \(MTEC\)](#)
- [Volunteer Manitoba](#)
- [Webinars - British Columbia Museums Association](#)

### **Professional Development**

#### **Bursaries/Grants:**

- [CMA Bursary Program](#)
- [The Winnipeg Foundation](#)

### **Cultural Stewardship Program (CSP)**

- [What is it?](#)
- [Contact the Conservator](#)
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## Collections Management & Deaccessioning

*Collections Management* is an introductory course in the Certificate Program in

- [Equipment loan](#)
- [Pest Management](#)
- [Conservator Hacks \(articles\)](#)

## Member News & Events

### Useful Links

- [Canadian Conservation Institute \(CCI\)](#)
- [Canadian Heritage Information Network \(CHIN\)](#)
- [Creative Manitoba](#)
- [Department of Canadian Heritage](#)
- [Endow Manitoba - Heritage Trust Program](#)
- [Museum Hack](#)
- [Virtual Museum of Canada](#)
- [Volunteer Canada](#)
- [Volunteer Manitoba](#)

### AMM Awards Program

Nominations may be made at anytime.

### Job Opportunities

### Publications

- [AMM Pest Control Guide](#)
- [AMM Standards Guide](#)
- [Canadian Conservation Institute](#)
- [Log Preparation for Building Repairs](#)
- [Other Peoples' Heritage](#)
- [Privacy Documentation for Museums and Archives](#)
- [The End of Our Memories](#) (DVD)

### Available Grants

[List of Provincial grants](#)

### AMM Library

### AMM Council

### AMM Staff

### Become a Member

Museum Practice (CPMP) that gives participants the tools to properly manage a heritage collection. The course also outlines the legal and professional responsibilities with regards to records management for a museum collection.

*Deaccessioning* is a Specialized Course designed to build upon the *Collections Management* course. The course will include information on:

- preventive deaccessioning
- policy development
- assessment of artifacts

[Read more...](#)

**Dates:**

- *Collections Management*, Friday, January 31, 2020
- *Deaccessioning*, Saturday, February 1, 2020

**Location:** [New Iceland Heritage Museum](#) (Gimli)

**Instructors:** Nancy Anderson and Andrea Reichert

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*One of the proud winners of the Smartie Cup*

## Trivia Night!

Start putting together your teams and polish your thinking caps for our 11th Annual Trivia Night fundraiser!

This fundraiser is the most fun you can have answering questions.

What other fundraiser gives you a recess when you can go and play? You can climb the lasagna look out, visit the engine house, or go down the illusion tunnel.

There'll be six rounds of trivia questions along with some mini-games.

**Date:** Saturday, March 14, 2020

## Donate

### **FREE Advertising!**

Send us your pamphlets to add to our display stand !

Passersby include concert goers, Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra and Manitoba Opera enthusiasts, city council members, city employees, a mayor, and visitors to The Manitoba Museum and Planetarium.

#### ***MISSION STATEMENT***

*The Association of Manitoba Museums will strive to become the primary museum related service organization in Manitoba providing innovative training, advocacy, resources and responsive leadership to a diverse and growing membership. It will promote Manitoba museums in the wider community from a secure financial base.*

#### ***VISION STATEMENT***

*The Association of Manitoba Museums, as the voice of our museum community, is dedicated to promoting excellence in preserving and presenting Manitoba's heritage.*

**Location:** [Children's Museum](#) at The Forks (Winnipeg)

*Tickets will go on sale the week of January 27, 2020!*

*If you've got something you'd like to donate to the Rainbow Raffle please contact the AMM office.*

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## **Museums & the Community**

Certificate Program in Museum Practice

This course will help you define your museum's role in the community and give you ideas for finding new partnerships that can make your museum an invaluable community service provider.

[Read more...](#)

Topics will include:

- History and Philosophy of Museums
- Responding to a Changing Society
- Understanding Community
- Role of Museums for the Future
- Partnerships between Museums and Community

**Date:** March 20 & 21, 2020

**Location:** [Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum](#) (Brandon)

Instructors: Jo Bunka & Loretta Dyck

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## **Delivering on Your Tour**

This Specialized Course will help museum staff and volunteers improve their tour guiding skills.

Participants will

- Review their experiences as tour participants to explore what makes a good tour and good tour guide
- Learn about key elements in a tour's structure and how they might incorporate them into their tours
- Learn about tour delivery techniques and tricks of the trade
- Have an opportunity to practice elements of a tour in small groups and receive group feedback

Target Audiences:

- Museum tour guides, docents, interpreters, education specialists
- Experienced guides, summer students, and museum volunteers
- Guides with at least some tour guiding experience, which will be drawn on during the course

[Course Description...](#)

**Date:** Friday, April 17, 2020

**Location:** [Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum](#) (outside Brandon)

**Instructor:** Sherry Dangerfield, [S.Dangerfield Interpretive Planning](#)

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## Conservator Hack

by Jane Dalley, CSP Conservator

### When the Rubber Meets the Collection

Rubber has had many uses since the vulcanization of natural rubber was discovered by Charles Goodyear in 1844, and artifacts containing natural rubber and synthetic rubber are commonly found in museum collections. Buttons, combs, machinery gaskets, horns, military paraphernalia, eyeglass frames, moulds, clothing, tools, household goods, adhesives and toys can all be made from some form of rubber. You may have a rubber artifact that has become soft or inflexible, or that smells of rotten eggs. There may be a bloom on the surface, or a stain underneath where it sits. It may be sticky to the touch.

[Read more...](#)

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# CCI - Requests for Conservation Services

The Canadian Conservation Institute (CCI) is currently accepting requests for archaeological conservation services for 2020–2021. This call includes requests for [pre- and post-excavation archaeological conservation treatments](#) as well as requests for [archaeological conservation field services](#).

Requests must be received no later than **February 14, 2020**.

[Read more...](#)

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## Nominations for Annual Historical Award

Lieutenant-Governor Janice Filmon is encouraging the public to nominate a worthy Manitoban who has provided prolonged and meritorious service in the preservation and promotion of Manitoba history for an award, presented in consultation with the Manitoba Historical Society.

The Lieutenant Governor's Award for Historical Preservation and Promotion is presented to those with experience in such endeavours as:

- the writing of historical publications and documents;
- stewardship of museums and archives;
- raising of public education, advocacy and awareness;
- committee or community service;
- preservation of historic sites / buildings; and
- art and media.

[Read more...](#)

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## Merging Mindsets

In cities around the world, the creative arts and interactive digital media sectors are bringing their respective skills together to imagine and create exciting new events, art and products – merging digital technologies with artistic practice. In Manitoba, we're ready to showcase what our vibrant arts community and interactive digital media sector can do together.

[Merging Mindsets](#) will expand opportunities for artists to create using digital technologies while broadening connections with interactive digital media (IDM) related companies that want to innovate using creative talent. Join us as we embark on an exciting series of community-building events exploring the digital tech in art and the art in digital tech while connecting the people in between.

Click [HERE](#) for more information.

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## National Heritage Digitization Strategy

The format used to digitize content, publish it on the Web or view it on a consumer device can be quite different from the one most suited to preserving the material for long-term access.

The [National Heritage Digitization Strategy – Digital Preservation File Format Recommendations](#) resource proposes which file formats to use when preserving digitized text, still images, audio and video recordings and motion picture films. The resource also provides a

framework for evaluating file formats, and it summarizes the evaluation criteria for the selection of digital preservation file formats and the recommendations made by a handful of reputable memory institutions.

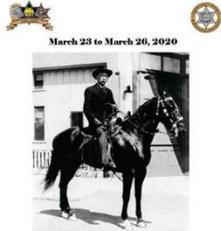
Members of the Digitization and Digital Preservation Discussion Group created the resource, which was one of many activities outlined in the [NHDS 2018–2019 business plan](#).

[Français...](#)

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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE of POLICE MUSEUMS  
ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

Hosted by the Orange County Sheriff's Museum & Education Center  
and the  
Association of Orange County Deputy Sheriffs (AOCDS)



## International Conference of Police Museums

This year's conference will be held in Orange County, California from March 23 to March 26, 2020.

Click [HERE](#) for more information.

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## Nomenclature for Museum Cataloging

Nomenclature for Museum Cataloging is now free for download in a number of formats! The Canadian Heritage Information Network (CHIN) and the American Association for State and Local History (AASLH) are happy to announce that Nomenclature has been released under a Creative Commons Attribution (CC BY 4.0) license and is available as linked open data (LOD). Users will no longer need to purchase a book or electronic file to stay current with this cataloging standard, and software vendors will no longer have to pay a licensing fee for its use.

The data you can now download for free includes:

- the entire Nomenclature 4.0 (published in 2015);
- terminology, definitions, illustrations and bibliographic references from the Parks Canada Descriptive and Visual Dictionary of Objects (Parks DVD);
- a complete French version;
- links to related concepts in other vocabularies such as the Art & Architecture Thesaurus;
- Canadian variants of Nomenclature concepts, where warranted.

[Read more...](#)

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## Storytelling Workshops and Internship

We all have stories to tell. Is your organization's story resonating with your local community or would you like to learn new approaches?

Starting this spring, Canada's History, with the support of the Winnipeg Foundation and the Manitoba Heritage Trust Program, is developing a series of free workshops in Manitoba designed to help your organization better share your story.

Workshops offered as part of this pilot project aim to connect, elevate, and engage with your organization's storytelling capacity — and are led by the unique needs and desires of the participants. [Read more...](#)

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## Classifieds

### **Baby carriage looking to be donated to a museum**

This carriage was owned by Mr. & Mrs. Merv Billingham. Merv was born in Auckland. He came to Canada in the late 60s to get his PhD at McMaster. Darlene, his wife, was born in Winnipeg. They met and resided in Winnipeg until her passing.

If interested please contact Yvonne Krahn at [ykrahn@mymts.net](mailto:ykrahn@mymts.net)

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