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ON-SITE COLLECTIONS CARE TRAINING

Don't miss out on in-depth, specialized training on collections care and fundraising for collections. During this **free** one-day site visit, you receive training designed to fit the specific needs of your organization based on a pre-visit survey. You also receive a **free** starter kit of collections care training resources and materials worth approximately \$100, a list of potential funders and an example case statement to use in funding requests.

Only 100 site visit appointments are available and will be scheduled on a first-come, first-served basis. This program is a part the Hoosier Heritage Alliance Connecting to Collections project funded in part by a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

To request on-site collections care training, contact Tamara Hemmerlein, coordinator, Hoosier Heritage Alliance, at themmerlein@indianahistory.org or (317) 234-0170.



LONGCLIFF MUSEUM

IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

You are invited to meet, share and connect with other historical organizations and county historians at one of these meetings. Feel free to call in advance about issues you are facing or just drop in to ask a question or share a success story. Local History Services staff will also be available for short consultations.

Wednesday, June 20, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Middlebury Community Historical Museum
301 W. Bristol Ave. (CR 8), Middlebury

Friday, July 13, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Longcliff Museum, Logansport State Hospital
1098 S. State Road 25, Logansport

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

Polish Your Image – Aug. 6, Bloomington. Improve your marketing materials by learning to apply the principals of design.

Charting Your Organization's Course – Aug. 15, Westchester. Understand not only the "how," but the "why" of planning for nonprofits.

Cemetery Preservation (Advanced) – Aug. 24 and 25, Lawrence. Get your hands dirty with advanced cemetery restoration techniques.

Special Events – Sept. 12, Indianapolis. Learn how to plan for and execute major events that attract funding and people to your organization.

ADA and Accessibility for History Groups – Oct. 4, Marion. Develop a basic plan to become a more welcoming site for those with mobility, vision and hearing challenges.



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WORKSHOPS

Building a Meaningful Collection

Tuesday, June 5, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Central)

Lyles Station Historic School and Museum,
Lyles Station

Instructor: Jeff Harris, director, Local History
Services, IHS

Cost: \$20, \$15 IHS members, \$10 Local History
Partners

Register by May 29

Addresses AASLH StEPs Standards COLL 1
through 4 and INT 1 and 2

Most museums have objects in their collections that don't belong there. Many local history groups have found it difficult to say no when offered any item from the past, even when it is not related to the organization's mission. These unwanted objects pull resources (time, money and space) from the artifacts that are really important for sharing local history.

This workshop helps participants understand how creating a scope of collections statement can address these collections issues.

During the workshop, we discuss:

- Why an organization collects and how collecting should be tied to your audience
- Why collections are a liability for organizations
- The value of a scope of collections statement, especially in articulating what "significance" means for your organization
- How to create your own scope of collections statement with input from your members, audience and community

Who should attend? Board members, staff and volunteers with responsibility for seeking and accepting objects for their organization's collection.



Kids and History

Friday, June 29, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Carnegie Museum of Montgomery County,
Crawfordsville

Cost: \$20, \$15 IHS members, \$10 Local History
Partners

Register by June 22

Addresses AASLH StEPs Standards AUD 1 and
INT 3 and 6

"We need to get more young people involved!"
These words are heard in board and staff meetings of local historical organizations throughout the state. But how do you do it?

In this fast-paced workshop, learn how to design tours, programs, summer camps and volunteer programs that engage kids and create future board members and supporters.

Five presenters share their real-life experiences working with kids and history:

- **Becca Loofbourrow**, coordinator of the Indiana Junior Historical Society at IHS, discusses Indiana state curriculum standards, what kids look for in a visit/program and how to develop a program that keeps their interest.

- **Marianne Doyle** and **Lynne Manning**, co-directors of Summer at Maplelawn Day Camp, share a case study of this program where children grades three through eight connect with the rich rural history of the 1930s Great Depression era on an Indiana farm.

- **Kat Burkhart**, curator of the Carnegie Museum of Montgomery County, shares case studies on working with teen curators and a museum visitation program inspired by library summer reading programs

- **Jeff Harris**, director of Local History Services at IHS, talks about how to attract and keep younger volunteers and other special concerns when kids serve as volunteers.

Who should attend? Paid and unpaid museum educators and volunteer managers.

Exhibit Fabrication

Friday, July 6, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana History Center,
Indianapolis

Instructor: Jeff Mills, director, Exhibition Design
and Production, IHS

Cost: \$20, \$15 IHS members, \$10 Local History
Partners (lunch on your own)

Register by June 29

Addresses AASLH StEPs standards INT 6 and
COLL 2 and 5

Learn how to create professional exhibit mounts to better display and showcase artifacts. Mounts allow you to get items off of flat surfaces and raise them above the background, creating more interest and better visibility for visitors. You will also create Plexiglas® supports and build clear acrylic boxes.

This hands-on workshop is limited to eight people. You will be using power tools, adhesives and other construction tools. Please dress accordingly. Experience with tool use is helpful but not required.

Who should attend? Paid and unpaid exhibits team members in charge of developing and building exhibits.

WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

You can register for workshops online using a credit card. Go to www.indianahistory.org/lhs, click on "Workshops" and then click on "Register online now."

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Number of People _____ Price \$ _____

Amount Due \$ _____

Name(s) _____

Organization _____

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