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York Museums Trust **Museum Development Yorkshire**

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Dear <<First Name>>

This bulletin is issued fortnightly to keep you up to date with all the latest news from the Yorkshire museums sector.

We hope you find something of interest below - we always welcome new subscribers so please feel free to circulate the bulletin to any friends or colleagues who may also find it useful. However, if you decide not to receive future bulletins please click the unsubscribe button in the footer below.

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Friday 14 September 2018

** Deadline for submissions **
5pm on Wed 12 September

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MDY Notices

MDY Sponsored Place at MA Conference 2018

Expressions of interest deadline: Sun 2 September

Do you want to attend this year's MA conference but don't have the funds? Museum Development Yorkshire is pleased to announce that it is sponsoring one FREE place at this year's MA Conference.

The 2018 national conference will provide a great opportunity to explore how museums can be socially and politically engaged organisations. The conference theme

is 'dissent', and many of the sessions will focus on how museums are presenting, reacting to and engaging with dissent. A full programme can be found at: www.museumsassociation.org/conference/belfast2018-programme.

Museum Development Yorkshire recognises that it is important for museum professionals to connect with colleagues through conferences and networking events, but also how stretched budgets can be when it comes to professional development. This year we will cover the conference fee but not travel or accommodation.

If you would like a free place you need to commit to attending the whole conference and share your learning with regional colleagues.

How to apply

The MDY sponsored places are open to anyone working or volunteering in an Accredited or 'Working Towards' museum in Yorkshire and the Humber. We cannot support members of staff of National Portfolio Organisations or DCMS sponsored National Museums. We will prioritise museums that have 'Full' or 'Provisional' Accreditation

The deadline for expressions of interest is 23:59 on Sunday 2 September.

Register your interest at: www.snapsurveys.com.

2018 AIM National Conference Sponsored Delegate Review

As Museum Development Yorkshire seeks to sponsor a delegate for the upcoming MA Conference, we take a look back at our last sponsored conference places.

In June, Museum Development Yorkshire sponsored two free places at the 2018 AIM National Conference at the British Motor Museum. The conference provided a great opportunity to explore how museums are 'Changing Gear' and powering forward. We heard from a number of excellent speakers, all of whom were passionately engaged in supporting audience growth.

We were joined by Susan Hopkinson from Burton Constable Foundation and Helen Suckling from Harrogate Borough Council. Susan and Helen have shared their learning from the conference in a new article on our website.

If you missed out, or just want a refresher, check out our website for their reviews and key takeaways: bit.ly/AIMdelegatereview

Small Development Grant Scheme 2018-22

Does your museum have a project which just needs that small amount of money to:

- turn a great idea into reality to move the museum forward and better care for its collections

- provide better experiences for your visitors and users
- develop new fundraising ideas
- attend training courses
- implement recommendations made by MDY or
- address areas for improvement for Accreditation?

If so, why not submit an application for a Museum Development Yorkshire small grant?

The Museum Development Yorkshire Small Grants Fund can provide funding for a variety of projects in your museum. Our Small Development Grant Scheme assists museums to implement advice, test new ways of working and make good things happen. It also supports personnel to attend training courses and conferences.

The amount awarded is up to £3,000 per project with a sliding scale of match funding required. The fund for this financial year is now live and available on an open application basis, with assessments made on a monthly basis. All monies must be spent and claimed by the end of the financial year.

For the guidance notes and links to the online application form, visit: bit.ly/MDY18SGApp.

If you need any further advice please contact your local Museum Development Officer who will be pleased to comment on potential projects for funding and assist with any queries on the paperwork.

Regional Forum Meetings

Museum Development Yorkshire Sub-Regional Forum Meetings:

East Yorkshire and Northern Lincolnshire Forum Monday 17 September 2018

Immingham Museum

Find out more and book a place at: www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/east-yorkshire-and-north-lincolnshire-museums-forum-tickets-46800899751.

Leeds, West Yorkshire, Harrogate and Craven Museums Forum Wed 26 September 2018, 10.15am to 3.00pm

Oakwell Hall, Birstall

The theme is 'Behind the Scenes in the Museum: Finance, Insurance and HR'.

Find out more and book a place at: www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/leeds-west-yorkshire-harrogate-and-craven-museums-forum-tickets-48205872061.

York and District Museums Forum

2 October 2018, c.12.30pm

Yorkshire Archaeological Trust

Find out more and book at: www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/york-and-district-museums-forum-tickets-46757337455.

Moors & Coast Museums Forum

16 October 2018, 2.00pm

Captain Cook Memorial Museum.

Find out more and book at: www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/moors-coast-museums-forum-tickets-46757497935.

Hambleton & Richmondshire Museums Forum

23 October 2018, 10.00am

Dales Countryside Museum, Hawes

Find out more and book at: www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/hambleton-richmondshire-museums-forum-tickets-46757788805.

Yorkshire Industrial Collections Forum

30 October 2018, c.10.00am

Abbeydale Industrial Hamlet, Sheffield.

Find out more and book at: www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/yorkshire-industrial-collections-forum-tickets-46758010468.

South Yorkshire Museums Forum

27 November 2018, 10.15am to 3.00pm

Cooper Gallery, Barnsley

Find out more and book at: www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/south-yorkshire-museums-forum-tickets-48405413896.

Other Notices

Museums at Night 2018 25 - 27 October

Register your festival events by 1 October

The Museums at Night festival is returning from 25 – 27 October 2018. Running an event during the festival is an excellent way to gain exposure, make the most of dark autumn evenings and give your visitors an experience they will not forget.

Make sure you register your event(s) by Monday 1 October for the chance to be included in festival PR and marketing.

Visit: museumsatnight.org.uk.

Workshops and Training

Next Generation 19 Management Training Workshops

Last few places remaining

The long established Next Generation programme (supported in 2017/18 by Museum Development Yorkshire) provides staff in museums, galleries, libraries and archives in Yorkshire and Humberside with the knowledge, skills, confidence and networks to become the managers and leaders of this sector in the future. Delegates come from a variety of backgrounds including local authorities, trusts, independent organisations, and educational establishments including universities.

The programme is delivered in up to ten workshops (plus an induction meeting) at monthly intervals provisionally starting on Wednesday 10 October 2018 (and then subsequent second Wednesdays in the month, finishing May 2019). The exact programme is developed with the candidates at the start of the course. Workshops are held at various locations throughout Yorkshire. Delegates will visit a number of interesting museum and library locations and hear from senior museum and library professionals.

[Download the PDF for full details.](#)

The cost of the programme will be in the region between £550 - £650 depending on numbers and possible sponsorship.

To express your interest please send an email by Friday 7 September 2018 to the YHFed Freelance Training Administrator: Bahia Lynch, bahia.lynch@gmail.com.

For further information about the programme contact: Peter Lumley, peter@realising-change.co.uk, 07767 337637.

Conferences and Events

Clore Leadership Programme Governance Now Conference

**Save the date:
Tuesday 13 November 2018
London**

Do you sit on the Board of a cultural organisation or aspire to be a Trustee?

Do you work directly with your Board?

Do you provide training or consultancy for Boards in the arts, culture and creative sectors?

The Clore Leadership Programme in partnership with the Cultural Governance Alliance presents Governance Now: a national conference for arts and culture sector professionals in engaging with good governance.

Be part of a positive culture change by becoming more aware, connected and empowered to address the challenge of achieving good governance. Bringing together over 25 expert speakers who will share a medley of insights, and best-practice to help you stay attuned in the art of delivering good governance. Governance Now will tackle critical topics such as future-proofing Boards and planning for succession, the Board's role in digital transformation and how to 'get things right when things go wrong'.

Three reasons to attend:

- A chance to connect with and learn from peers from across the arts and culture sectors.
- High-calibre speakers, ample conference options and excellent networking.
- A chance to take part in facilitated Action Learning Sets to hear and share strategies for governance development.

Register your interest now at: users.cloreleadership.org/node/135.

Find out more about the Clore Leadership Programme at: www.cloreleadership.org or use [#GovNowCulture](https://twitter.com/GovNowCulture) on Twitter.

Still time to book...

A Question of Leadership Conference

**Thursday 13 September 2018, 9.30am – 4.00pm
Liverpool Hope University**

Co-hosted by Curious Minds and DIY Theatre, the 'Question of Leadership' conference brings together teachers, cultural organisations, artists, performers and academics both to hear inspiring stories about inclusive leadership and research practices across the education and arts sectors and to question notions of leadership and research within these sectors.

To see the full programme and book your place, please go to: aquestionofleadership.eventbrite.co.uk.

If you have questions or queries regarding the conference, please do not hesitate to get in touch with the Events Team on 01772 336639 or email events@curiousminds.org.uk.

**Museum Development Northwest's
6th Annual Funding Fair**

Thursday 20 September 2018 People's History Museum, Manchester

The Funding Fair is FREE and gives museum professionals the opportunity to meet major museum funders and representatives from National Museums tasked with developing partnerships with regional museums. We are also expanding it this year to include organisations that focus on audience data capture and as always there will be the opportunity to attend presentations delivered by some of the organisations present.

Find out more and book a place at:

www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/annual-funding-fair-2018-tickets-48273135247.

Continue Conference from the British Game Institute (BGI)

**1 & 2 October 2018
Tempest Anderson Hall, York**

York Mediale 2018 will co-curate and host this year's Continue conference in partnership with the BGI and in association with York's own Pilot Theatre company. Continue is an initiative driven by the BGI bringing together cultural commissioners and organisations with videogame practitioners and experts.

The conference will put practitioners and decision-makers from across the country in the same room to debate, explore and collaborate on key issues facing the game and culture industries. This year's collaboration with York Mediale and Pilot will see Continue build on past successes as a launchpad for collaboration between cultural commissioners and videogame developers.

Cost: £65 full price, £50 concessions.

To book a place visit: www.yorktheatreroyal.co.uk

Continue is supported by the Arts Council, Creative England, and PlatformShift+, a Creative Europe Project.

How to set up, survive and thrive as a freelancer in the cultural sector

**Monday 15 October, 9.30am - 4.30pm
NCVO, London**

Join this practical and inspiring training workshop designed to kick-start and sustain a flourishing freelance or consultancy business. The day is jam-packed with proven approaches, ideas and tools to get started, market yourself, find work, win work, manage your finances, handle client relationships and look after your health and wellbeing.

Visit setup-survive-thrive-cultural-freelancer.eventbrite.co.uk for more information and to book.

Early bird: £200, then £250 after 14 September.

Yorkshire Regional Talking Shop Retail Forum

Wednesday 17 October
York Castle Museum

The Talking Shops are retail forums, where delegates come together to share sales and KPI information, to discuss retail trends and issues affecting business, and to share good retail practice. Anyone working in retail within a cultural venue, is welcome to come to the meetings. You don't have to be a member of ACE and you don't have to have attended the Retail Resilience Programme. It is free to attend, and lunch is provided - and it's an informal and friendly gathering!

At this October meeting, we will be sharing our sales data, so please can everyone complete the Checklist for Business Review form and bring along their sales figures. Items on the agenda include a round table discussion on Christmas retailing, Museum shop Sunday, and a session on security and crime prevention in the retail environment.

Find out more and register now at: acenterprises.org.uk/civicrm/event.

Museums+Tech 2018: the Collaborative Museum

19 October 2018
National Gallery, London

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group**

Museums+Tech 2018 will explore how a collaborative and participatory approach to projects can create higher-quality content, bring in new audiences and provide important learning experiences for staff and institutions.

For further information, including the full programme, see:
www.museumscomputergroup.org.uk/events/museumstech2018.

NB: eligible museums might like to consider applying for a small grant to support attendance (see Small Development Grant Scheme above).

Creative Families Award Launch

Thursday 25 October, 1.00pm – 4.30pm Leeds City Museum

IVE will be launching the Creative Families Award, an exciting framework and set of resources, that draw on new academic research developed in partnership with Dr Abigail Hackett, for offering and celebrating meaningful and engaging arts and cultural experiences for very young children (1-4 years) and their grown-ups in museum spaces. The Creative Families Award has been developed to have close links with Arts Award, providing the perfect precursor to Arts Award Discover.

Representatives can get their hands on the resources, hear from Dr Abigail Hackett and the museums who piloted the award, work with the Creative Families Award to develop their early years and family offer and of course, enjoy coffee and cake in the inspiring surroundings of Leeds City Museum.

This event is for representatives from museums and heritage spaces.

Find out more and register to attend at: www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/creative-families-award-launch-leeds-25th-october-tickets-48036815408.

'Talking Plants' How to communicate plant science

**7-9 November 2018
Cambridge University Botanic Garden and Sainsbury
Laboratory**

This year's bgen Annual Conference, hosted jointly by Cambridge University's Botanic Garden and Sainsbury Laboratory, will focus on communicating plant science and research to a wide range of audiences. Join plant scientists from around the University, the team at the Garden, and plant science communicators and educators from across the UK for three days of 'Talking Plants' in Cambridge.

- Develop your knowledge about cutting edge plant science
- Increase your confidence in delivering practical plant science to your visitors
- Discover where to find new science content and creative ideas to support your work
- Network with plant scientists, public engagement specialists and other plant educators
- Reflect on your own programme and gain new skills to improve it

Find out more and book a place at: bit.ly/2nx5unY.

Museums Association Conference & Exhibition 2018

8-10 November, Belfast

The MA Conference & Exhibition is the largest event of its kind in Europe for museums and heritage professionals. Over 1,500 senior staff discuss the latest issues, discover new practice and meet the world's leading suppliers and consultants.

The theme of Belfast 2018 is Dissent: Inspiring Hope, Embracing Change - having the courage to challenge traditional thinking to transform museums and society. And what better place to do this than Belfast. We highlight the role museums of all sizes and types can play as dissenting organisations, standing with their communities as they encourage activism and promote positive social change.

For more information and to book your place go to
www.museumsassociation.org/conference.

Sporting Heritage Conference 2018

14 and 15 November
Merseyside Maritime Museum, Liverpool

With a focus on community engagement, the conference aims to increase knowledge and understanding of sporting heritage practice across the UK, and the impact of sporting heritage, its importance and relevance, across many different agendas.

Speakers come from a range of sectors including Policy, Sport, Academia, Community Heritage, Museums, and Archives.

Find out more and book a place at:
www.sportingheritage.org.uk/content/category/news/sporting-heritage-conference-2018.

Discovering Collections, Discovering Communities DCDC 18 Conference

Birmingham Conference and Events Centre
Mon 19 to Wed 21 November 2018

The theme of this year's conference is Memory and transformation, with panels exploring themes ranging from memory institutions and material narratives to digital memories and public reminiscence. The conference includes practical workshops and exciting networking opportunities.

DCDC brings together colleagues from across the archive, library, museum and academic sectors to explore shared opportunities, collective challenges, and to discuss how each sector can work more effectively with one another.

View the programme and register for your place at: dcdconference.com.

Job Opportunities

Yorkshire Sculpture Park Programme and Collection Coordinator

Salary: £16k - £19k dependent on experience
Permanent, full time

Yorkshire Sculpture Park is looking to recruit a highly organised and effective administrator to join the energetic and creative curatorial team which is responsible for the coordination of exhibitions, open-air displays of sculpture, artist residencies and associated events and visitor information.

The Programme and Collection Coordinator has a central role in supporting the day-to-day delivery of projects and continued care of the artwork collection. With responsibility for coordinating documentation, transport and record keeping excellent organisational and communication skills are key to this role.

Previous experience of working in an art gallery is desirable, but not essential, as transferable experience and aptitude will be taken into consideration.

Please visit ysp.org.uk for full details and application pack.

Closing date midnight on Wednesday 5 September.

Ryedale Folk Museum Museum Maintenance Officer

Salary: £18k-£20k pa
Full-time, permanent

The Museum Maintenance Officer will help to maintain our buildings and care for the six-acre site, alongside a team of enthusiastic volunteers. We are looking for a person who is able to identify maintenance tasks and then carry them out to a high standard, working alongside our volunteer team. This is a full time permanent role.

For more information and to apply please visit:
www.ryedalefolkmuseum.co.uk/get-involved.

Closing date – midnight on Sunday 23 September.

Interviews will be held on Tuesday 9 October.

For an informal conversation about the job, please call Craig Irving on 01751 417367.

Ripon Museums Trust (RMT) Digital Consultancy Opportunity

Starting budget: £8,000

In 2018 RMT became a National Portfolio Organisation (NPO) funded by Arts Council England, to help them deliver their goal of 'great art and culture for everyone'. As part of this funding, the RMT has funds to undertake a full review of our use of digital

technologies and methodologies and develop a strategy that will allow us to maximise these opportunities and make the best use of the funding we receive as part of our NPO grant for digital purposes over the next three to four years.

RMT has a maximum of £18,000 per annum starting from 1st April 2019 dedicated solely to implementing our digital strategy and action plan.

The Trust has an existing Digital Policy which goes some way to outlining the general direction we would like to move in, but it lacks the depth of knowledge and experience required to make it a truly guiding document that will deliver a path to the future.

Find out more at: riponmuseums.co.uk/support/opportunities.

Closing date: Friday 28 September.

Selection panel date: Monday 1 October.

Interview date: 11 or 12 October.

Sobriety Project (Yorkshire Waterways Museum) Commercial Manager

Part-time (22.5 hrs pw split over working week by agreement); Salary: £22,035 pa pro rata (60%)

The Sobriety Project Ltd (a charity) is looking for an experienced Commercial Manager to help it exploit the commercial potential of the Charity in order to expand and develop its income streams.

Whilst maintaining the organisations charitable aims and objectives the Commercial Manager will work as part of a small team, in ensuring that the Charity is able to raise the required income to support those aims.

A flexible approach to working hours and the ability work as part of a team are essential.

The role will initially be for a two year period, and depending on the success of the role could be expanded or become permanent. There is potential for career progression for this role in the future.

**For an application form (hard copy or e-version) please contact:
Clare Hunt, clare@waterwaysmuseum.org.uk, 01405 768730.**

Closing date: Friday 28 September.

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