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York Museums Trust Museum Development Yorkshire

Latest news for week ending Friday 9 October 2020

Dear <<First Name>>

Submissions for the next bulletin should be sent to mdy-bulletin@ymt.org.uk by 5pm on Wed 14 October

As it we get into an English Autumn, the leaves start to turn and the nights draw in, maybe it is time to do a jigsaw reminding us how beautiful Barnsley can be. Garfield Weston Foundation are still keen to receive grant applications and are running a Funding Talk on 15 October. For Optimistic October, we have news of Black History Month events, Dyslexia awareness week and lots more training and development opportunities. To round all that off we have a video of some very helpful ducks and pose a question for nature lovers: Which squirrel?

Please do keep telling us about your successes and problems - either directly by phone or email or shared at Elevenses. If you're not sure who to email, send to mdyoffice@ymt.org.uk and we will try to help or redirect as appropriate. This will help us continue to advocate for you and, along with feedback on our work, to reshape our support in these changing times.

Please check our website regularly for further information and don't forget to follow us on Twitter <u>@MusDevYorks</u>. Please also encourage others in your organisation to subscribe to this bulletin.

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As we come to the end of Dyslexia Awareness week, 5-11 October, with a theme of #dyslexiacreates, you might also want to look at a special font developed for people with dyslexia.

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Free for charities to use, the font is available at: **www.dyslexiefont.com**.

There are various resources available on the British Dyslexia Association (BDA) website: bdadyslexia.org.uk

DCMS Volunteers Survey - Invitation to Take Part

Closes on 12 October

The Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) are running an online survey to help them develop guidance for volunteer-involving organisations, groups, and bodies based in England so that volunteering can be done safely and effectively during the continuing Covid-19 pandemic.

Employees and volunteers (in England only) from volunteer-involving organisations, groups, and bodies are invited to **complete a short survey.**

Deadline: 5.00pm on Monday 12 October.

Funding Talk: Garfield Weston Foundation

Thursday, 15 October 15, 2.00pm - 3.00pm

The Garfield Weston Foundation's funding for this year remains open and highly active in making grants. Although the Foundation is currently pausing on brand new capital projects, it continues to make unrestricted donations and grants for core costs in addition to project costs.

Register to attend the talk at: www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/funding-talk-garfield-weston-foundation-tickets-124536499021.

The Foundation has a simple one-stage application process and whilst a grant is not guaranteed, they would very much like to hear from eligible charities!

Visit the Foundation's website for information on how to apply and what to include in an application: garfieldweston.org/apply-to-us/how-to-apply.

Free Museum Freelance Events

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 Developing Your Creative Practice: Briefing with Arts Council England Friday 16 October, 1.00pm - 1.45pm www.tickettailor.com/events/museumfreelance/427776.

 Museum Freelance survey findings: event for freelancers
 Tuesday 20 October, 9.30am - 11.00am
 www.tickettailor.com/events/museumfreelance/425295.

For SSOs, funders and clients:

 Museum Freelance survey findings: event for SSOs, funders and clients
 Tuesday 20 October, 12.30pm - 1.30pm
 www.tickettailor.com/events/museumfreelance/425336.

What Value Culture? Online Debate

Join our festival of ideas 2-13 November 2020

Ten days of free online events probing and questioning the value of culture through a series of discussions and interactive workshops. All events will have live transcription.

Find out more at: www.culturalvalue.org.uk/events.

Your Week Ahead

Elevenses With MDY

Insightful, interactive and informal, Elevenses is a chance to hear from a guest speaker on the day's topic, meet colleagues from the region, and connect with the MDY team.

Our days vary so please <u>check the schedule</u>, save the date in your calendar, and join us using the link to MS Teams.

Make time for Elevenses! See you there...

Monday 12 October - DIY Digital

Gill Greaves, from Arts Council England, and Abi Colling and Chris Streek from York Museums Trust, join Michael Turnpenny to discuss how the surge in demand for digital has altered our thinking, and what we can do digitally. A friendly space to talk about your digital ideas, questions and challenges.

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October Schedule:

 Monday 19 October - Collections Care: Lockdown and Beyond

Libby Finney, ACE Regional Collection Care Development Officer at the Museum of London, joins Dieter Hopkin to discuss collections care issues that we're seeing as museums recover from lockdown, and ideas for future emergency planning.

www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/event/elevenses-monday-19th-october.



FED Workshops and Webinars

Introduction to Decolonising Collections
 13 October, 3.00pm - 5.00pm

Limited number of free places for FED members all other tickets £6.

For further info and to book: tinyurl.com/y5fha5aa.

Why History? Hidden History of Black Victorians

15 October, 4.00pm - 5.00pm

The British Academy are hosting an online conversation with Dr Caroline Bressey, of University College London, about the history of ordinary black men and women in Victorian Britain.

<u>www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/why-history-the-hidden-histories-of-black-victorians-tickets-121516355691</u>.

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Black History Month Events

The Black History Month website lists events happening this week and for the rest of October. Use the links below to find out more about national events online as well as actual events happening in our region.

Online events: www.blackhistorymonth.org.uk/listings/region/online-event.

Events happening in Yorkshire and the Humber:

www.blackhistorymonth.org.uk/listings/region/yorkshire.

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Dates for Your Diary

MDY Regional Museum Forum Meetings Autumn 2020

There's still chance to join one of our autumn forum meetings - with guest speakers on our chosen theme, updates from MDY, and questions, discussion and catch-ups with colleagues. Our forum meetings are online via Microsoft Teams, 3.00pm - 5.00pm on the scheduled dates. You are welcome to attend any meetings which are relevant to you.

West Yorkshire Regional Museums Forum Wed 21 October, 3.00pm - 5.00pm Being Innovative

- Understand how you can develop innovation skills with our expert trainer, Dr Jo North from The Big Bang Partnership Ltd
- Hear how Kirklees Museums have implemented their innovation training 12 months on

Book here: <u>www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/online-west-yorkshire-museums-forum-tickets-89037576789</u>.

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Limited number of free places for FED members - all other tickets $\pounds 6$.

For further info and to book:

tinyurl.com/yx9g9n5a.

Yorkshire & Humberside Federation of Museums and Art Galleries

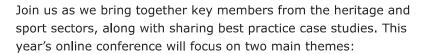
Museum Accessibility:
 Beyonds Lifts and Braille Guides
 15 December, 10.00am - 12 noon

Limited number of free places for FED members - all other tickets £6.

For further info and to book: tinyurl.com/y3dpfn8h.

Sporting Heritage Digital Conference

22 and 23 October 2020





- Day 1: The Resilience and Sustainability of Sporting Heritage
- Day 2: The Diversity of Sporting Heritage

<u>www.sportingheritage.org.uk/content/category/events/conference/2020-sporting-heritage-conference</u>

World Turned Upside Down: Exploring the Future of Museums

Museums Association (MA) Conference 2-6 November 2020

This year's MA Conference is open for booking for MA members only and features a range of fantastic speakers, engaging sessions and lots of practical advice and support.

 $\underline{www.museums association.org/events/world-turned-upside-down-exploring-the-future-of-museums.}$

Plastics in Peril: Focus on Conservation of Polymeric Materials in Cultural Heritage

Virtual Conference, 16-19 November

Focusing on practical solutions, this conference will discuss real-life approaches to caring for the plastics in our museums, including identification of materials, collection management and storage, conservation treatments, and packaging.

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Collections Care: Documentation Procedural Manuals

Wed 25 November, 2.00 - 3.30pm Booking deadline: 2 Nov

Aimed at museum staff and volunteers in Yorkshire and the Humber, this online session will support you with Accreditation 5.2 - following the primary Spectrum 5.0 documentation procedures.

If you are new to online meetings, and would like to gain confidence before this session, please contact us as soon as possible, to arrange a short and friendly introductory session at: mdyoffice@ymt.org.uk.

<u>www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/collections-care-documentation-procedural-manuals-tickets-123180344727.</u>

Funding Opportunities

Art Fund Bursaries for Clore Leadership Courses

The Art Fund are offering four bursary places for Clore Leadership's Emerging Leaders and Leadership Pulse courses. The bursaries will cover the entire course fee, and are open to all museum professionals working in the UK (see 'Your Development section below for course details).

Applications are made through the Clore website, and those interested in a bursary place should select 'Art Fund bursary' on the application form:

<u>www.cloreleadership.org/programmes/clore-courses/types-courses-available/emerging-leaders/emerging-leaders-bursaries.</u>

The closing date for applications is 12,00pm on 26 October 2020.

Your Development

NEW 'Climate Friday' Free Webinar Series from Historic England and Climate Heritage Network

These weekly webinars provide delegates with an in-depth look at a range of topics related to climate change and cultural heritage presented by international experts in heritage and climate change research, policy and practice.

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Friday 9 October, 3.00pm - 4.00pm Thinking about interrelationships between the climate crisis and heritage

The narrative of climate change is shifting from what has been called a 'climate crisis' to move toward 'climate action'. This webinar explores the nuances of addressing heritage studies within climate research, and the wider interrelationships of resilience, adaptation and mitigation more visible with the need for transformation.

Find out more and book a place.

Find out more about the new webinar series:

<u>historicengland.org.uk/services-skills/training-skills/online-training/webinars/climate-friday-webinars</u>.

For webinars on in-depth technical approaches to specific climate change adaptions, visit the 'Technical Tuesdays' page:

<u>historicengland.org.uk/services-skills/training-skills/online-training/webinars/technical-tuesdays.</u>

Clore Leadership 2021 Courses

Applications Open for Fellowship, Emerging Leaders and Leadership Pulse

The Clore Fellowship is a tailored programme of leadership development which aims to enrich and transform cultural practice and engagement by developing leadership potential, acumen and skills.

Emerging Leaders is a modular course providing the essential skills and tools required by cultural leaders in the early stages of their careers.

Leadership Pulse is a dynamic modular course for those seeking to sharpen their skills and knowledge in order to face head-on the challenges of 21st Century leadership.

Find out more at:

<u>www.cloreleadership.org/news-events/news/we-are-now-inviting-applications-2021-fellowship-and-our-next-emerging-leaders-and-leadership-pulse</u>.

Closing date for all applications: 12.00pm on Monday 26 October.

Art Fund Bursaries are available for Emerging Leaders and Leadership Pulse - see 'Funding Opportunities' section above for details.

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Maximising Commercial Income

New Online Academy Course From the Association of Cultural Enterprises

This course will enable you to maximise profitability across three key areas of earned income: admissions (ticket sales); affiliation (donations, memberships, subscriptions); and ancillary areas including food and beverage and merchandise.

Suitable for anyone working in any commercial area of your organisation, the course takes just 2.5 hours to complete and is delivered by David Reece of Baker Richards.

Find out more and watch a preview at:

<u>culturalenterprises.org.uk/academy/courses/strategy/maximising-</u>commercial-income.

Heritage Lab Social Media Handbook

It can be difficult to know where to start with social media. The Heritage Lab has created two free guides for cultural institutions and professionals to help you develop a social media strategy. The Social Media Handbook and Navigating Twitter guides offer advice with strategy-making and best practices for Twitter, Instagram, Pinterest, Facebook and other platforms.





Touring Exhibitions Group Sector Support Webinar

Wednesday 21 October from 12.00pm

What will exhibitions, touring and partnerships of the future look like?

The final programme for TEG's first Sector Support Webinar is now available via the Eventbrite booking page at:

<u>www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/what-will-exhibitions-touring-and-partnerships-of-the-future-look-like-registration-117264560457</u>.

Your Wellbeing

Share Your Resources!

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Each week we will look at ways to support you.

If you come across resources that help you and would like to share with others, please send them to Liz Denton liz.denton@ymt.org.uk.

Optimistic October

If you are not already familiar with the fantastic calendars from Action for Happiness, do have a look! Each month the calendar has daily actions to help you stay hopeful and focused. Life is far from perfect, but there are lots of reasons for optimism. Setting positive goals for the future gives our lives a sense of direction and purpose. Please share the calendar with others!





And Relax...!

We all need an opportunity to smile, at this time, or a chance to share great ideas to help us ...relax!

We are encouraging you to send in any great resources or tips that are helping you, email: alice.macpherson@ymt.org.uk.

Alice Recommends...

- Cannon Hall recently held a 'Beautiful Barnsley' photography competition and the winner, 'Gate' at Dodworth by Kyle Parr has been turned into an online jigsaw puzzle. How fast can you complete this beautiful autumnal scene? www.jigsawplanet.com/?rc=play&pid=2f8a20dec8de.
- Check out this incredibly relaxing video of a flock of ducks helping to clean a capybara: <u>imgur.com/TILj8M4</u>.



Dieter's Nature Notes

Which Squirrel?

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American grey squirrels (Sciurus carolinensis).

Many of us will be most familiar in urban parks and gardens (e.g. Yorkshire Museum Gardens) with the grey ones and frequently feed them either deliberately or indirectly via our bird feeders at home. They seem to be at ease in close proximity to humans and are very creative and acrobatic creatures which we often like to watch.



We are less likely to see examples of our native red squirrels whose habitat has been reduced. Also the larger grey squirrels are capable of storing up to four times more fat and are better able to survive winter conditions. Greys produce more young and can live at higher densities. They also carry the squirrelpox virus, to which red squirrels have no immunity.

A question for natural historians is: if we did not have grey squirrels in our urban environments, would we have red ones or would there be none? There were no red squirrels in the farming area of Derbyshire where I lived in living memory, so does the red squirrel require a different environment and habitat? In continental Europe, where there are no grey squirrels it is possible to see red squirrels in urban green spaces and parks. Without the greys would we have the same in the UK?

Previously...

In case you missed it...

Just in case you missed them first time round, we're listing below snippets of some of the articles published in previous ebulletins that we think you might still find useful:

Reopening Resources:

 Audience Agency 'Bounce Forward' Events <u>www.theaudienceagency.org/bounce-forwards-events</u>.

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historicengland.org.uk/coronavirus/historic-places/cleaning-disinfecting-historic-surfaces.

DCN/EMBED Reopening with Inclusive Practice
 Online Webinar
 <u>www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/2020/08/04/dcn-embed-webinar-now-online.</u>

Museum Reopening Guidance:

- Test and Trace Requirements in Cafes and Restaurants
 <u>Download Q&A Advice Sheet</u>
- New Table Service Regulations
 www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2020/1029/pdfs/uksi 20201029 en.pdf
- Face coverings updated guidance www.gov.uk/government/publications/face-coverings-when-to-wearone-and-how-to-make-your-own/face-coverings-when-to-wear-one-and-how-to-make-your-own.
- Working Safely During Coronavirus Government Advice <u>www.gov.uk/guidance/working-safely-during-coronavirus-covid-19/the-visitor-economy</u>
- NMDC good practice guide on reopening Museums <u>www.nationalmuseums.org.uk/coronavirus-update/nmdc-good-practice-guidelines-opening-museums.</u>
- AIM and Museum Development Network 'Reopening Checklist' www.aim-museums.co.uk/museum-reopening-guidance-checklist.
- Visit Britain consumer mark, 'We're Good To Go' www.visitbritain.org/business-advice/were-good-go-industry-standard.
- EMBED Reopening Recommendation Guidance focused on Accessibility
 embed.org.uk/covid-19-reopening.
- Reopening Toolkit from South East Museum Development southeastmuseums.org/resource-library/advice-on-reopening-museums-reopening-museums-toolkit.
- Space for Learning New Guidance for Learning Services spaceforlearning.org.uk/covid-guidance.
- Timed Ticketing Quick Guide Download a PDF copy of the guide.

Other Previous Articles:

 Arts Council National Lottery Project Grants <u>www.artscouncil.org.uk/projectgrants</u>

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www.youtube.com/channel/UC-owfPGAfecnJyW74dD Agw.

- Financial Difficulties Toolkit <u>www.artscouncil.org.uk/publication/managing-financial-difficulties-guide-and-toolkit.</u>
- ICOM Follow-Up Survey: the impact of Covid-19 on the museum sector. Complete the survey at:

 <u>uk.icom.museum/icom-follow-up-survey-the-impact-of-covid-19-on-the-museum-sector</u>.
- Mental Health Directory of Online Courses
 <u>www.futurelearn.com/courses/collections/support-mental-health-in-lockdown</u>
- Museum Detox network for museum and heritage workers who identify as of colour www.museumdetox.org.
- Museum Wellness Network: supporting staff wellbeing post-lockdown: www.museumsassociation.org/museum-practice/08062020-supporting-museum-workforce-wellbeing-post-lockdown.
- National Lottery Project Grants (now open to NPOs): <u>www.artscouncil.org.uk/projectgrants</u>.
- Weston Loan Programme with Art Fund (deadline 5 Nov): <u>www.artfund.org/supporting-museums/programmes/weston-loan-programme</u>.

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