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Happy New Year to you all! I hope everyone had the chance to relax over the festive period and that the start to 2022 has been a positive one. Here at MDY we're looking to the future and we're delighted to launch our [support opportunities for 2022/23](#)! If your museum has any questions we encourage you to [attend our next Elevenses](#), where the team will be on hand to explain the programme in detail and some past participants will provide an insider's view into the impact support has made. If you are not free on the 20th don't forget that your local [Museum Development Officer](#) is happy to talk through all the options!

This first edition of 2022 includes lots of resources, but if I had to highlight just one it would be the [Northern Museums Volunteer Pass](#). It is an incredibly generous benefit scheme and a great way to show you value your volunteers. Don't forget the deadline for applications is 21 January!

Finally, make sure you read down to [And Relax..](#) with Jo and Alice's reflections on the season and a call out for inspiring images from across the region. We hope to feature some in future editions, with of course [news stories from across the region](#) too. We look forward to this being a positive and productive year for the museum community across Yorkshire and the Humber region and rest assured MDY will be on hand to provide advice, support, training and funding throughout!

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News and Notices

Museum Development Yorkshire Launches Support Opportunities for 2022-2023!

The guidance notes for this year's support opportunities and links to the application form are available now at:

www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/2022-23-MDY-Guidance.

Although there will be opportunities to take part in workshops, grants, events and learning cohorts throughout the year, this application round is the main way of securing in-depth mentoring, coaching or consultancy support from MDY.

The deadline for applications is 11.59pm on 27 February.

We are hosting an 'Elevenses' session about our support opportunities on 20 January. If anyone from your team would like to join to find out more, the link is available at:

www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/event/elevenses-thursday-20th-january.

Impact and Insight

Develop your museum's evaluation practice

MDY is offering **5 FREE places** on a new programme to develop your museum's approach to evaluating your public programme outputs, such as exhibitions and events.

Starting in March 2022, Impact and Insight, offers the opportunity to trial an online, 360-degree evaluation platform, which is supported by Arts Council England.

Participating museums will deepen their understanding of the quality of their exhibitions and events, and will develop their overall approach to evaluation. You will join an online national cohort of museums, all testing the toolkit for the first time, and will receive a structure of support and a named contact for technical support.

This opportunity is only open to Accredited museums which do not receive Arts Council England NPO funding.

Find out more:

www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/impact-insight.

[Click here to submit an expression of interest.](#)



Read more about the Impact and Insight platform here:
impactandinsight.co.uk/about.

Last Chance to Register for the Northern Museums Volunteer Pass 2022-2024

The Northern Museum Volunteer Pass Scheme (one of the largest Volunteer schemes in England, with over 160 participating museums and over 8,000 participating volunteers) is open to ALL accredited museums, or those working towards accreditation, in the North East, North West and Yorkshire and Humberside Museum Development regions.

The scheme is a mutually beneficial partnership and entitles volunteers to gain various benefits such as free entry to other participating museums and/or additional benefits. A leaflet is produced annually listing all participating museums and the benefits at each institution.

The scheme raises awareness of your museum, provides networking and benchmarking opportunities and also valuable learning opportunities. Here's what previous participants had to say:

- 'It highlights our museums to other volunteers and encourages them to visit and find out more about us.'
- 'My plan was to run a 'trip out' to another participating museum with some volunteers each month, and evaluate that museum - what did they do well, what did it make us think we could do better etc'
- 'It makes our volunteers feel part of the museum community'.

To find out more and see the list of participating museums, [download the 2021-22 leaflet](#).

There is also a [PDF outlining the scheme](#), or you can contact Gillian Waters at: mail@gillianwaters.co.uk.

To sign up to the scheme, simply complete the snapsurvey form to express your interest: online1.snapsurveys.com/dyfbwu.

Deadline: Friday 21 January.

Sharing Space: Co-creation in the Visual Arts

4 sessions in Jan/Feb

Sharing Space: co-creation in the visual arts will explore how artists, organisations and people create art and catalyse social change.

Each session has an incredible array of contributors including Susanne Burns, Debbie Chan, Fiona Macdonald, Professor Paul Heritage, and François Matarasso.

Engage
Bringing people
and art together

- **1 Feb** - Democracy and Collaboration: is everyone an artist?
- **10 Feb** - Adaptation and Innovation.

Tickets are available for individual sessions (£15 - £50) or a combined ticket for the series of all four dates (£60 - £200).

**Find out more and book your place: engage.org/happenings/sharing-space.
Get in touch if you have any questions: info@engage.org
#SharingSpace2022.**

2022 Sandford Awards for Heritage Education

Now open for entries

The awards are non-competitive and offer quality assurance for your education programmes. Applications are welcome from a broad range of heritage sites and services that run formal, curriculum-linked onsite education programmes. Recognition is also given to informal learning such as family programmes and outreach.

Find out more at: www.heritageeducationtrust.org.

Entries close at 5.00pm on Friday 18 February.

Your Fortnight Ahead

Elevenes with MDY in 2022

Thu 20 January

What's in the MDY Support Menu 2022-23?

It's time once again to explore the opportunities for support offered by MDY. What are your museum's priorities for our support in 2022-23? This is a great chance to explore our support menu and ask questions about how to choose and prioritise your support requests.

Mon 24 January

Welcoming visitors with additional needs

We welcome back Sarah Allen, Learning & Access Officer at Abbey House Museum, for a chat about how they work with families and people with additional needs to ensure they are fully welcome in their museum. Are you thinking about working with audiences with additional needs, or being more family-friendly? This session is for you!

Check the full Elevenes schedule and find joining links at:
www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/event-category/elevenses-with-

If there is a topic you'd like to talk about or hear about at Elevenses, or even a speaker you'd like to hear from, please let us know at: joanne.bartholomew@ymt.org.uk.



Family Interpretation on a Budget Lunch and Learn session from Museum Tales LTD

20 January, 12 noon - 12.30pm

In this session, we'll provide a quick round up of the best family interpretation hints, tips, tricks and approaches in the business. We know that budgets are tight right now, so the lunch and learn will focus on doing this through quick wins, with minimal spend. All for just £7.50.

Bring your sandwiches and we'll provide the rest!

Book your place now: www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/family-interpretation-on-a-budget-lunch-and-learn-tickets-227605743907.

Wampanoag Perspectives Conference

Thursday 20 January, 2.00pm - 6.00pm

The Wampanoag Perspectives Conference will reflect on the past and look to the future, through the lens of the Wampanoag perspective and other case studies. Our keynote speakers will be Paula Peters (activist and spokesperson representing the Wampanoag Nation) and Lord John Mann (independent government advisor on anti-Semitism). There will also be a range of breakout sessions looking at challenging histories and exploring projects which seek to address current issues.



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CONFERENCE

Find out more and book a place at:

social.collab.org.uk/e/wampanoag-perspectives-conferenc/register.

Best Practice Guide to Recruitment for Creative Leaders

Thursday 27 January, 10.00am - 1.00pm

This FREE Workshop, for those working in Accredited museums or working towards Accreditation across the North of England, is focused on helping creative leaders understand recruiting for potential. It covers the basic legalities associated with workers, employees and contractors (freelancers) and how understanding the legalities can help improve diversity and inclusion.

The 3hr hour online session includes an accompanying written guide.

Register at:

www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/a-best-practice-guide-to-recruitment-for-creative-leaders-tickets-22524698807.

What's On in Your Region?

We Want to Hear From You!

If you have an exhibition, event or some special news do get in touch. We're interested and would love to tell everyone in the region too!

Email: mdy-bulletin@ymt.org.uk.

Upcoming Elevenses

Tue 1 February Preparing your Accreditation Return

Are you putting off tackling your museum's Accreditation Return? Or is it something you've found a struggle in the past? Join us with Kelly Chapman for some advice on best approaches to taking control of your Accreditation Return. This session is equally suited to those whose museum is due to be called for Accreditation, or those who feel it is comfortably distant ...

Tue 8 February Front of House Charter for Change

We all rely deeply on our front-of-house teams, and the pandemic has emphasised this more than ever. Join us with Abi Godfrey, co-founder of FoHMuseums to find out more about how we can support people through the FoH Charter for Change – why we need it, and how it can enable you to develop best practice with and for your FoH team.



Thu 17 February Christmas Events Debrief

Join us as we catch up with museums who hosted Christmas events to hear how things went, and how they will go about preparing for this year's Christmas event. Too early to start talking about next Christmas – or almost too late?! Come and find out.

Check the full Elevenses schedule and find joining links at:

www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/event-category/elevenses-with-mdy.

If there is a topic you'd like to talk about or hear about at Elevenses, or even a speaker you'd like to hear from, please let us know at:

joanne.bartholomew@ymt.org.uk.

Come to a Regional Museum Forum in 2022!

We hope to see many of you in February and March for our first round of museum forums. We'll be watching Covid guidance closely until then and, as ever, we'll adhere closely to Covid-safe practices when allowed to meet.

Our aim for museum forums in 2022 is to create 'a professional day out': a chance to catch up with your museum colleagues in the region, visit an interesting venue, get the most out of being at a site, hear some interesting case studies – and really enjoy

Forums usually start with tea and coffee from 10.00am and introductions from 10.30am. A delicious, complimentary lunch is provided – currently pre-wrapped in individual portions – followed by afternoon refreshments. Meetings usually finish around 3.30pm - 4.00pm.



Every forum will involve a chance to view and discuss at least one aspect of the host site, hear short case studies from different speakers, and share brief updates with colleagues.

Whilst we hope there's something in the day's agenda that appeals to you, we often find that it's the unexpected and spontaneous conversations that spark most ideas and opportunities! So, join us for a refreshing, professional day out and see what fresh thinking you can gain.

All 2022 dates will be confirmed and available to book in January. The meeting themes and further details will be posted on the booking page closer to the meeting date - including when our Regional Accreditation Adviser, Kelly Chapman, will attend a forum in your part of the region.

Dates for your 2022 diary are:

Wed 2 March - East Riding and North Lincolnshire (rescheduled date)

North Lincolnshire Museum

Thu 10 March - West Yorkshire

Tolson Museum, Huddersfield

Mon 21 March - South Yorkshire

Danum Gallery, Library and Museum

Thu 31 March - North Yorkshire

Kiplin Hall and Gardens, near Richmond

Find out more at:

www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/event-category/regional-forum-meetings.

Your Wellbeing

Physical Activity and Social Prescribing Thriving Communities online webinar

25 January, 3.00pm - 4.00pm

'We Are Undefeatable' - overcoming barriers to physical activity and how social prescribing can be part of the solution.

moderate exercise every week. In this webinar we will debunk the myths that surround how to get people to exercise more and look at what recent studies have shown are the barriers and effective motivations to increased physical activity, particularly for people with long term conditions.

Find out more and book a place at:

www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/thriving-communities-webinar-physical-activity-and-social-prescribing-tickets-228322598037.

Job Opportunities and Volunteering

North Lincolnshire Council Brigg Heritage Centre Manager

Salary: £22K
Fixed-term (2 yrs initially)

We are seeking a manager who can support our volunteer trustees in the promotion of both our centre and the rich and diverse history of the Brigg and Ancholme Valley. If you are enthusiastic, imaginative and motivated and want the opportunity to influence outcomes through your own ideas, this role is for you.

Find out more at:

northlincs.current-vacancies.com/Jobs/Advert/2487783?cid=1930&t=Brigg-Heritage-Centre-Manager.

Closing date: 17 January.

Rotherham Museums, Arts and Heritage

4 x Creatives/Artists to deliver Heritage Programme: UEFA Women's Euros 2022

In July, England will stage the UEFA Women's EURO with four matches taking place in Rotherham and we will develop a series of events and an exhibition to engage local residents, capturing stories, promoting active collecting and documenting heritage through pop-up roadshows and temporary exhibitions.

We are seeking to appoint four Artists/Creatives to deliver the heritage programme:

- [Artist to deliver a Touring Exhibition](#) - £3,500
- [Artist to create and develop a Merchandise Maker Station](#) - £4,000
- [Writer to deliver a creative writing installation](#) - £3,000
- [Creative Freelance engagement consultant to engage local communities](#) - £9,900

Deadline: 23 January.

Thackray Museum of Medicine Collections Access Assistant

**Salary: £19,240
Fixed term - end March 2023**

We are looking for someone to join our small Collections Management team to improve access to our objects, library, and archive collections. The postholder will help us care for and develop our collections, increase public access and support colleagues with exhibitions and community, research and digital programmes across the museum.

Find out more at: thackraymuseum.co.uk/about-us/work-for-us.

Deadline: 30 January.

Epworth Old Rectory

**Strategic Manager
£32K pro rata (£12,106, 14 hrs pw)**

With experience in strategic management in the culture, public or voluntary sector, you will provide overall direction and management of Epworth Old Rectory, enthusing staff and volunteers in its vision and developing its strategy to fulfil its aims and ambitions.

**Visits and Collections Manager
£26K pro rata (£17,563, 25 hrs pw)**

With experience in management of museum collections and public engagement through a range of media, you will be responsible for the visitor experience on site and online, collections care, audience development and volunteer management for Epworth Old Rectory.

Find out more at: epwortholdrectory.org.uk/epworth-old-rectory-old/support/volunteering.

Deadline for applications: 31 January.

Your Development

Heritage and the Arts

Free online webinar 19 January, 12.00pm - 1.30pm

Can you help close the gap between learning in schools to earning in the workplace? Luminate Education Group and Leeds Museums are leading the way in making a difference to the lives of people with special education needs and disabilities (SEND).

Join us to find out the importance of employing people with SEND and learning difficulties, with a key focus on career development and employment within the heritage and arts sector. Leeds Museums will be sharing their experiences and providing guidance on how you can help provide positive destinations and career opportunities.

Book a place at:

booking.etfoundation.co.uk/course/details/1314/Promoting-Diverse-Employment-in-the-Heritage-and-Arts-Sector.

Spark your Creativity! Interpretive Scriptwriting for Graphics

Online course starting 2 February

The Authentic Spark is once again running a 4 week live online course in interpretive scriptwriting for graphics. There will be 4 x 1.5 hour weekly Zoom-based webinars (closed caption subtitling provided) as well as practical activities to undertake between each webinar. Share your ideas with fellow course participants through the online discussion space.

Course costs £100 or take advantage of the Early Bird Offer: £75 before 21 January. Maximum 16 places available.

Click here to [download course information and a booking form](#) or email sarah@theauthenticspark.com.

DEI Webinar: Disability Inclusion Actions from Valuable 500

3 February, 1.00pm

We debunk common myths that disability inclusion is complicated, expensive, or that disabled people are less productive than non-disabled people. Because none of this is true!

Sign up to hear about tangible inclusion strategies that are moving the needle to support people with disabilities and neurodifferences in leading businesses. You'll take away actionable steps and insights that will make a difference in your work.

Find out more and register at:

Online TEG Partnership Agreement Workshop

17 February and 24 February
1.00pm - 4.00pm

This 6-hour live, online workshop spread over two sessions focuses on how to devise an agreement for projects that involve the collaboration of two or more partners, to develop and deliver a collaborative exhibition, event or programme.

The workshop uses TEG's template partnership agreement as its starting point. The number of participants is limited to ensure everyone has the opportunity to participate and ask questions.

Find out more and book a place at:

www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/partnership-agreement-workshop-tickets-191629859067.

Funding Opportunities

New Government Grant Funding for Businesses Impacted by the Pandemic

Firms in the hospitality, leisure and accommodation sectors, many of which have seen a decline in footfall and increased cancellations due to the Omicron variant, will be able to apply for one-off grants of up to £6,000 per premises depending on rateable value:

- businesses with a rateable value of £51,000 or above: £6,000
- businesses with a rateable value between £15,000 and £51,000: £4,000
- businesses with a rateable value of £15,000 or below: £2,667.

Local councils will be able to distribute this [£1 billion package of support](#) to the hundreds of thousands of pubs, restaurants and theatres in need – protecting the millions of people they employ.

Businesses are encouraged to apply to their council for grant funding which will be administered over the coming weeks. Find your local authority at:

www.gov.uk/find-local-council.

Places of Science Funding Scheme from The Royal Society

The scheme provides grants of up to £3,500 to small museums, funding projects that tell the stories of science and scientists relevant to communities across the UK

- highlight the topics, stories and people that are relevant to your local community
- present science in new and interesting ways
- encourage participation and involvement of the local community
- provoke curiosity, interest and enthusiasm among those that take part.

Find out more at:

royalsociety.org/grants-schemes-awards/grants/places-of-science.

Application deadline: 16 February.

Idlewild Trust Conservation & Arts Grants

The Idlewild Trust runs two grant programmes:

- **Arts: Nurturing Early-Stage Professionals Grants** to improve opportunities for professionals working creatively within the arts at an early stage in their career.
- **Conservation: Objects and Works of Art Grants** to support the conservation of historic or artistically important objects and works of art in museums, galleries, places of worship, historic buildings or their grounds.

Apply by 15 March 2022 at midday for a decision by the end of May 2022.

Apply by 6 September 2022 at midday for a decision by the end of November 2022.

For the March 2022 deadline, the application forms are now available. For the September 2022 deadline, the application forms will be available from June/July 2022 (date to be confirmed).

Find out more at: www.idlewildtrust.org.uk/apply-grant.

And Relax...!

From Jo and Alice...

It's a wonderful time of year for more of us to enjoy the glorious colours of sunrise and sunset. The front rooms in my house were washed with a glowing pink and orange light this morning, and Alice has done a great job of capturing the same sunrise on her way through Leeds. If you spot a stunning sky in your area, or at your museum, send us a picture - we'd love to enjoy it with you!



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:

New Covid Secure Reopening Advice from MDY

Briefing sheets:

- www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/2021/04/22/new-mdy-covid-secure-reopening-guidance.

Other Reopening Resources and Guidance:

- **Updated DCMS Guidance on Volunteering:**
www.gov.uk/guidance/enabling-safe-and-effective-volunteering-during-coronavirus-covid-19.
- **Working Safely During Coronavirus - Government Advice**
www.gov.uk/guidance/working-safely-during-coronavirus-covid-19/the-visitor-economy.

[practice-guidelines-opening-museums.](#)

- **AIM and Museum Development Network 'Reopening Checklist'**
www.aim-museums.co.uk/museum-reopening-guidance-checklist.
- **EMBED – Reopening Recommendation Guidance focused on Accessibility**
embed.org.uk/covid-19-reopening.
- **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:

- **Mental Health - Directory of Online Courses**
www.futurelearn.com/courses/collections/support-mental-health-in-lockdown
- **Museum Wellness Network: supporting staff wellbeing post-lockdown:**
www.museumsassociation.org/museum-practice/08062020-supporting-museum-workforce-wellbeing-post-lockdown.

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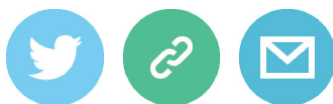
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