

Alaska State Museum

ASM Museum Chat

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Session 14

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Hi LaRue

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Glad you could make it

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Just a reminder, no microphone today just typed chat

LaRue Barnes: Hi! I'll be following most of it

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): We will give it a few more minutes

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): minutes

Moderator (LAM): We have started recording the session. Thanks for coming.

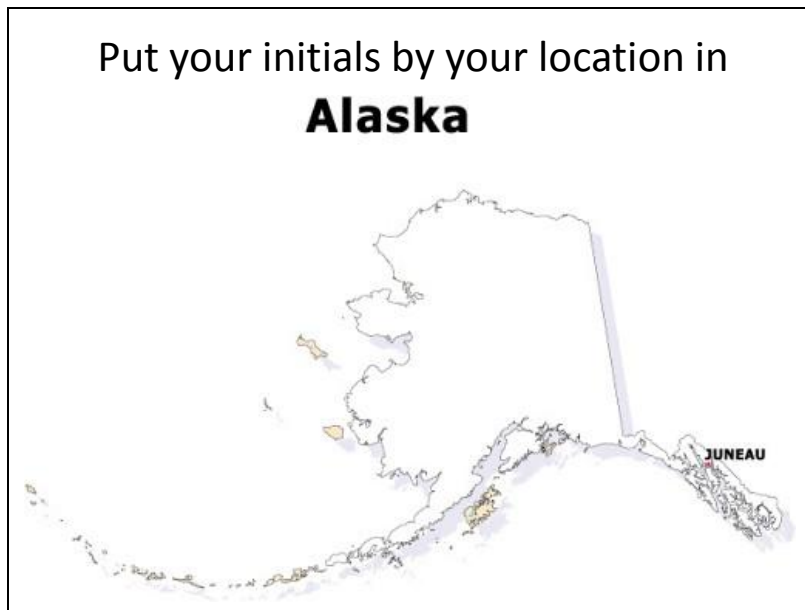
Eleanor: Hi - Monica and LaRue - sorry I missed you at the conference -

Monica S.: Eleanor - missed you too. Did you go to WMA?

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Hi Katie, welcome

Eleanor: Nope - we didn't go anywhere

Katie Oliver: Hi Scott and everyone!



Moderator (Scott Carrlee): While we are waiting we can put our initials on the map

Wendy Goldstein: I tried to get a big map of AK for the conference so we could all put our initials on it, but I got too busy.

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Wendy, that is a good idea for the next one, We should mention it to Jackie or Bob Medinger of the host committee

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Katie, did you make it back from Valdez ok?

Katie Oliver: Yes, no problem. Had a nice day visiting with Aurora until her ferry came, then flew standby and made it to Kodiak in one day

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): A bit of good luck there!

Wendy Goldstein: were they overbooked or something?

Katie Oliver: ERA was overbooked on Anc/Kodiak flights

Katie Oliver: They flew an extra 19-seater to get luggage in so I got on that one

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Wow so you really were lucky

Wendy Goldstein: oh boy. glad you made it ok.

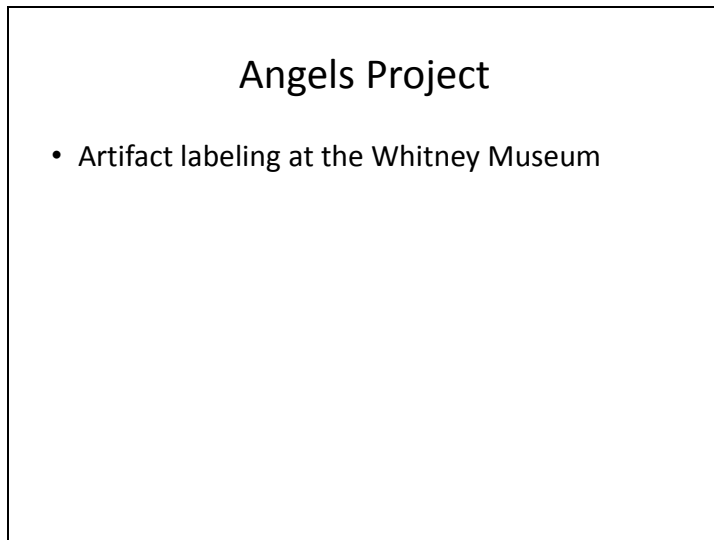
Katie Oliver: Yes. Hunting season i guess. Hunters bring lots of gear

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Hi Charles, Welcome to the chat. We were just getting started

Charles Hilton: Hello!

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): So let's get started

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I thought we would go through each session and people could comment



Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Who attended the Angels session?

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Show of hands

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): We helped Wendy label a bunch of artifacts that were inside cases

Wendy Goldstein: my heroes. . . .

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): It was actually really great and a lot of fun

Monica S.: I heard good things from Carolyn Kozak.

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Carolyn helped a bunch

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Ellen Carrlee was really the leader of it because she knows all about lableing

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): So next year, we want to do it again

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): It will probably be with the Historical Museum

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Who can come early and participate?

Wendy Goldstein: I will!

Aurora Lang: I'd love to!

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Cool

Monica S.: I will try too!

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Who did the mount making workshop?

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I think Darian is one of the best at this type of mount making

Aurora Lang: I wasn't able to get to this session, but I'm crossing my fingers that Darian and Chris can join forces and offer a mount making extravaganza next year

Katie Oliver: Anjuli really enjoyed this session and is already putting her new skillz to work

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Great to know Katie

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I am not sure what will be on the agenda for next year's workshops

Monica S.: Aurora - Darian won't be able to offer it again next year, but maybe down the line.

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): This was a very expensive workshop to put on

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I hope people really got something out of it.

Don't Panic Planning for Museum Emergencies Great and Small

- Scott Carrlee
- Cynthia Jones
- Molly Conley

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Did anyone attend this?

Monica S.: Could this be offered again?

Charles Hilton: I did

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Right, Charles good to have you in it. What did you think?

Aurora Lang: I'd love it if you could offer it again. I wasn't able to make it to this one.

Wendy Goldstein: I enjoyed it, too.

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): What was your favorite part?

Wendy Goldstein: I just bought some visqueen and am in the middle of covering all my shelving in my attic.

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Good idea

Charles Hilton: I enjoyed it, looking forward to the next time I can use a fire extinguisher

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): That was my favorite part, putting out a real fire with a real fire extinguisher!!

Wendy Goldstein: I didn't enjoy the table top exercise as much as the worse case scenarios we were asked to think about.

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I agree Wendy, we needed to be more coordinated on that one. It was something that CJ had done before but I have not.

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Aurora, Monica, if you want to see it again you can mention it to MA or the program committee

Aurora Lang: Will do

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): There will be a call for suggestions soon

Monica S.: Yes, I will certainly ask for it.

Keynote Address

- Marjorie Schwarzer

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): What did you all think of the Keynote?

Monica S.: Loved it!

Katie Oliver: She was great!

Aurora Lang: It was interesting. Lots to think about.

Wendy Goldstein: I wish I hadn't missed half of it, but what I did hear was really good.

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I thought she did a great job and really spoke to us about Alaska

Aurora Lang: Having an Alaskan museum person do next year's would be an interesting follow up

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Who do you have in mind?

Aurora Lang: Maybe an award winner???

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): We usually bring someone from the outside

Aurora Lang: No one in mind, just throwing it out there

Wendy Goldstein: nice, Aurora

Charles Hilton: I like that idea too

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Well I am sure the committee would be interested in any suggestions, even if it is general like should we be bringing them in from outside or should they be local

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): The Keynote really has to resonate with the theme in my opinion.

Aurora Lang: What's the theme for next year?

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): The theme for next year is being developed. That usually takes place in the fall

Monica S.: Theme planning will begin in the new year, when the programming committee gets set up.

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Ok good input Monica

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I thought it was sooner

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I liked the guy's talk about Teddy Roosevelt but did not see how it kept with the AHS theme

Monica S.: I agree, the speaker needs to reflect the theme. Especially as not all the sessions do.

Katie Oliver: True, Scott. When we had the opportunity to get Brinkley we did it in spite of not meshing with the theme

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I thought he was brilliant and interesting don't get me wrong

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I enjoyed it and learned something but it was just a good talk

Nuts and Bolts of Copyright for Museums and Archives

- Rachelle V. Browne

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Show of hands

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): So a number of you attended this one. What did you think?

Aurora Lang: I liked it. A lot. But I was really wanting it to speak directly to Alaskan issues. It was a good general session though

Katie Oliver: She covered a lot of ground. I think she really shined when responding to questions and providing case studies

Monica S.: I enjoyed learning from her. Just wish there had been more time for case studies or Alaskan issues, as Aurora said.

Charles Hilton: I liked it, but it was very basic information... her follow up sessions were helpful in that regard

Navigating the Challenges of Shipping in Alaska

- Ryan Kenny
- Carmen Bria

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Who attended this one? I was not able to

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Anyone?

Monica S.: nope, was in the nuts and bolts.

Aurora Lang: I couldn't make it either, but I was interested in it

What they didn't Teach you in Museum School

- Aurora Lang
- Cathy Sherman
- Wendy Goldstein

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Who went to this one? I thought this one was great!

Katie Oliver: My colleague Marie really enjoyed this one

Wendy Goldstein: really, my husband fell asleep

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I especially like the honest description of how to plan for new bathroom. It comes down to the smallest details.

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): What do you all think about sessions that are more nuts and bolts like this one or more theoretical

Katie Oliver: I think both are important

Wendy Goldstein: I need basics still, so theory is still a bit too over my head

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): This is the kind of input that the program committee is always looking for.

Monica S.: I like a little variety. Makes the conference interesting and yet helpful.

Contemporary Alaska Art Collecting

- Michael Hawfield

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I couldn't attend this one either

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): What did you like about it Katie

Katie Oliver: Very good discussion and broad participation

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I heard there was some heated discussions, is that true?

Monica S.: I was there, but can't remember.

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Like about non-Alaska Natives making and selling Alaska Native type art like carvings.

Katie Oliver: I don't know about heated. People were approaching the subject of intellectual property rights from a variety of perspectives

Monica S.: Oh yes. Some good discussion centered on that. I didn't think it was heated either.

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Good to know.

Monica S.: This was a good theoretical session, that made me think.

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): It could maybe be a whole session next year

Katie Oliver: Yes, I think there is lots of room for more discussion here

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Yeah I heard that the time ran out of time for the discussions

Katie Oliver: It was about collecting but there are issues of commoditization, too, that are important

Wendy Goldstein: would tie in well with museum stores discussion.

Found Objects: Why Provenance Still Matters

- Rachelle V. Browne

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I wish I had gone to this session

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Did anyone here go?

Monica S.: I attended this.

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Give us a synopsis

Monica S.: Ha.

Aurora Lang: I liked this session, but I was really hoping for Alaska-specific information. This was too broad

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I am starting to see a theme here that the program committee should be aware of. Keep the sessions relevant to local themes

Charles Hilton: The case study was very interesting... interesting to hear everyone's opinions

Monica S.: One thing that I especially liked, is that she focused the discussion. Not talking about found in collection items. But things with a

Monica S.: unclear title or past.

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): What was the case study?

Monica S.: It helped limit the very broad topic.

Aurora Lang: Yes, I agree that sessions relevant to local themes would be helpful. And I agree with Monica - the focused discussion was interesting.

Monica S.: Oh, the case study was interesting but not very good, I thought. Too easy to change parameters as questions were raised.

Wendy Goldstein: it was about a dumpster diver who leaves his whole collection in his will to a museum and some of the items are iffy, ethically

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): interesting

Monica S.: I wished we could have used Aurora's example. Maybe the session organizer could have used real examples from Alaska. Not that hard to put a call out for discussion items. Doesn't require being a presenter, per se.

Aurora Lang: That's a great idea Monica!

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I wish I could have attended

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I like that idea

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): That is certainly something the committee should consider

Monica S.: I'd like to see more legal issue sessions. But, I also see the difficulty, we all want free advice.

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Yeah I agree

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): But I think we can get good advice from a session presenter

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Like bring someone in to talk about insurance

Monica S.: Excellent suggestion

Aurora Lang: The legal advice is really what we're needing now too. But it seems like very basic legal advice - Alaskan property laws, Marine Protection Law (or whatever its called), etc.

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): That should be doable locally

Aurora Lang: True

Monica S.: We've had Fish and Wildlife people before. I can't remember if their info was presented well.

Monica S.: Maybe it's time to ask them to present again?

Aurora Lang: Yeah!

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Yeah on feathers and the like

Wendy Goldstein: I am still wanting to learn more on taxidermy

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Care of Taxidermy?

Wendy Goldstein: yes! Huge need

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): That would be a good session

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I will keep it in mind

Wendy Goldstein: I would pay extra for one

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): There is a really good conservator Cathy Hawks who came up a couple of years ago

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): She would be great to get back in the state

Aurora Lang: I'd pay extra to talk to her too

Monica S.: She's taken a job with Nat'l Museum of Natural History.

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Oh really? No longer private?

Monica S.: Holly had her written into a grant, IMLS, but wasn't funded. Cathy may still be willing if we can find funding elsewhere.

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I did not know that

Monica S.: Don't know how much private work she's taking. She's the mall museum conservator.

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I think it would be worthwhile to bring her up for a few sessions

Digital Preservation for Audiovisual Media

- Bob Curtis-Johnson

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Who attended Bob's presentation?

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): He did a chat session remember?

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I am sure it was similar

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I like Bob, I think he really cares about preserving media

Monica S.: Can you summarize?

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Well I did not attend his session at MA but he gave a really good session here. It was mostly on recognizing the different problems that come up. What I think he needs to work on are solutions that are doable for the small museums.

Perspectives on Emerging Copyright law

- Rachelle V. Browne
- Arlene Schmuland
- Bob Forshaw
- Jackie Fernandez (for Bob Medinger)

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): This one was the follow-up session on copyright. It seemed to have a more local flavor

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Who attended?

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): What did you think Charles

Charles Hilton: I'd have to look back at my notes... I do remember there was good discussion

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Yeah I agree, there was more audience participation

New Facility Development and Community Based Capital Campaigns

- Bob Banghart
- Cathy Sherman
- Diane Converse
- Toby Sullivan

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): How about this session

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Anyone?

Aurora Lang: I couldn't make it. But the construction here in Cordova is progressing quickly!!

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): You should post a photo on the listserv

Aurora Lang: I just might! They've started on the roof this week.

Katie Oliver: This was a good session. Can't go wrong with Bob

Katie Oliver: The speakers are in different phases of capital campaigns

Katie Oliver: Interested to hear about the process in three different communities

Katie Oliver: Interesting

Detailed Conservation Surveys:
What They Are, How to Make them
Successful, and How They Can
Benefit Your Museum.

- Monica Shah

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Monica, I know you were at this one

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Anyone else attend? Nice things to say about it to Monica?

Monica S.: There was a good turnout, even though it was the same time as Carmen's session

Charles Hilton: Loved the presentation!

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): It had the longest title of the conference

Aurora Lang: Always! I did the original training with Monica that this session was about, and it was so helpful! I was able to develop conservation surveys that really help my tiny museum and help me with my work.

Aurora Lang: ALWAYS do a training with Monica if you have the chance!

Monica S.: Thanks Charles. And yes, a wordy title. Wendy - I only had photos to share. But can send the form. Aurora's form is great too.

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I think Aurora should share her form on the listserv

Monica S.: Oh, and a slide on the difference between general and detailed surveys.

Aurora Lang: I'll send it to you and you can do it if you want to.

How to Look at a Painting

- Carmen Bria

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Who attended Carmen's session?

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Did anyone find out how to look at a painting?

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I thought it would come naturally

Objects Labeling Workshop

- Ellen Carrlee

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Moving right along

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Ellen had 14 people in this one

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Anyone from here?

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): What did you think?

Monica S.: Loved it, wish it had been longer.

Aurora Lang: I was hoping to go to this but didn't end up going to it. I heard GREAT things though

Wendy Goldstein: I wished it were longer, too

Monica S.: We've already implemented some of her great ideas.

Charles Hilton: It was great.. wanted more!

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Ellen said she ran out of time

Katie Oliver: It was great. Agree that it could have been longer. Anjuli was using her kit yesterday

Wendy Goldstein: I feel empowered now

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Who knew there was so much to say about object labeling

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I heard that the kit alone was worth it

Wendy Goldstein: it is impressive

Retrospective on the Past 10 Years in Alaska Museums

- Marjorie Schwarzer
- Scott Carrlee

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): This was the follow up session for the keynote

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I really enjoyed getting to chat with Marjorie again

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Did anyone else attend?

Monica S.: What did people discuss?

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Well the one fun thing was

Aurora Lang: Our fantasy exhibits, admission prices

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): She had everyone say what their fantasy exhibit would be

Aurora Lang: That was a great discussion!

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): That was really interesting

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Chris Hanson said he wanted to do an exhibit called Kitchikan

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): There were other good suggestions. I have the list from Marjorie she took notes

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I thought it would be a fun session to have people talk about community exhibits that have been really successful

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): What do you all think?

Monica S.: Good idea.

Wendy Goldstein: cool

Museum Q&A

- Everyone

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): We don't really have to discuss this one here, but I was interested in seeing if people thought this session was worthwhile and should we have it next year?

Wendy Goldstein: It ALWAYS is helpful

Aurora Lang: Yes, I think it's very worthwhile

Katie Oliver: I couldn't attend because of AHS annual mtg but I always enjoy this session

Wendy Goldstein: esp for newbees

Monica S.: I like it. I think that it allows discussion of topics from other sessions too.

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Yeah like a wrapup

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): I like it because it gives everyone a chance to talk if they want

Wendy Goldstein: I was wondering why it became combined with the meeting

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Wendy, I think that was just by chance. It just happened to be right before the general meeting

Monica S.: I liked how you presented info about statewide work last year.

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): What do you mean Monica?

Monica S.: The stats you presented, or was it the year before in Unalaska?

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Actually that was in Fairbanks, and I could do more of that



Moderator (Scott Carrlee): SO we if we have a minute any suggestions for next year that we have not already covered?

Wendy Goldstein: what it's like to go for the big A.

Wendy Goldstein: Accreditation

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): That is a good one Wendy. I would love to see a session on Accreditation. I think AAM might even send someone up for that

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): If you think about anything you can send them to me, Allison or any board member. So think of more sessions and let people know

Katie Oliver: There is a survey monkey conference evaluation that folks can fill out, too. I think the link is up on the Museums Alaska website

Aurora Lang: Thanks for the chat Scott!! What's next month's topic?

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Thanks for chatting

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): No special topic so far

Wendy Goldstein: thank you ,Scott!

Eleanor: Thanks for the chat - sorry I missed the conference - sounds like I missed a good one.

Katie Oliver: Bye, all

Moderator (Scott Carrlee): Bye all thanks for coming