

NEW ENGLAND MUSEUM ASSOCIATION
Scholarships for the NEMA Annual Conference
November 7-9, 2007, Portland, ME
Application Postmarked Deadline: September 21, 2007

The NEMA Professional Development Fund

Established to make the annual conference financially accessible. It helps support travel, lodging and registration for Individual Members of NEMA and employees of NEMA Institutional Members at the NEMA Annual Conference. Stipends are awarded to conference attendees with special emphasis on new professionals or first-time attendees. Awards of up to \$300 are available depending on the availability of funds in any given year. It is expected that recipients will register to attend the full conference and that recipients and/or their institution will provide some of the costs of attending the annual conference.

The Laura B. Roberts Scholarship

This \$500 stipend is awarded to support travel, lodging and registration. Priority for this scholarship will be given to graduates of the Tufts Certificate, Bank Street Museum Leadership, and Cooperstown programs.

University Products Curatorial Fellowship

The Curators Professional Affinity Group, with support from University Products, provides a \$200 stipend for Individual Members of NEMA and employees of NEMA Institutional Members to be used for a three-day conference registration. Any curator who has worked in the field five years or less, and works for an institution with an annual budget of \$250,000 or less, is eligible for the award.

Gaylord Bros., Small Museum Scholarship

This \$500 stipend is awarded to support travel, lodging and registration for Individual Members of NEMA and employees of NEMA Institutional Members. Staff members or volunteers from institutions with an annual budget of \$250,000 or less are eligible. This scholarship has been provided with support from Gaylord Bros.

New!

The John Nicholas Brown Center Historic Sites Fellowship

This \$500 stipend is awarded to support travel, lodging and registration for a full conference registration. Staff members from history museums with an annual budget of \$250,000 or less are eligible, with priority given to staff members at historic house museums or historic site museums. This scholarship has been provided with support from the Public Humanities Program at Brown University.

Applications for all awards must be postmarked by the extended deadline of September 21, 2007. To receive confirmation of your application, please send a stamped, self-addressed postcard that will be mailed back to you. In the event that your application is unsuccessful, you may still register at the early-bird rate at any time before conference.

PLEASE ATTACH THE FOLLOWING TO YOUR APPLICATION:

(This application can be used for all awards.)

YOUR APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE: (Incomplete applications will not be considered)

1. Completed Conference Scholarship Application Form.
2. A completed Conference registration form (available after August 10). Please indicate any meals and events that you wish to attend but do not send any payment. In the event that your application is unsuccessful, you may still register at the early-bird rate at any time before conference.
3. On not more than one sheet of 8.5" x 11" paper, tell the committee how participation at the NEMA annual conference would enhance your academic or professional development, and the circumstances that prompted you to submit your application.
4. Copy of curriculum vitae or resume. Applicants for the Laura B. Roberts Scholarship should highlight relevant college qualifications.
5. A brief letter of support from your supervisor/advisor.

Send completed application to:
Professional Development Awards Committee
New England Museum Association
22 Mill Street, Suite 409
Arlington, MA 02476

2007 NEMA Conference Scholarship Application Form

Name: _____

Title: _____

Institution: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Institution: _____

Museum's Annual Budget: _____

If you are a full-time student (not in paid employment for more than 20 hours per week) please indicate your area of study and expected graduation date.

Have you ever been to a NEMA Conference before? Yes No If yes, how many? _____

Estimated Expenses:

Registration
(Member \$200) (Student \$145) \$ _____
Off-site sessions and Events \$ _____
Meals \$ _____
Transportation \$ _____
Lodging \$ _____
Total: \$ _____

Budget to Cover Expenses:

Your contribution: \$ _____
NEMA individual membership* (\$40) \$ _____
(*if not a member or employee at a member museum)
Your institution's contribution: \$ _____
Scholarship Amount requested: \$ _____
Total: \$ _____
(Should equal total of estimated expenses)

The conference hotel is \$120/night. The optional meals and events range from \$5 - \$45. Hotel, meals and travel arrangements are the responsibility of the recipient.

As an award recipient, I agree to write an article, if asked, for submission to *NemaNews* or the NEMA website. I also agree that NEMA may use my name in announcing and promoting the award.

If for any reason I can't attend the Conference, I will notify NEMA and return scholarship monies so that an alternate can be selected.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Rec: ____ db: ____ rev: ____ notif: ____