



**DHP News, January 21, 2011**

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**1. Grants for Museum Advancement**

2011 Grant Opportunities

Applications are now being accepted for three grant programs administered by Museumwise and sponsored by the New York State Council on the Arts. The Get Ready, Get Set, Go! grant programs are designed to make it easy for organizations to access professional help and improve their institution.

Get Ready grants provide money for strategic planning. Applications are accepted on a rolling bases.

Get Set grants provide money for consultant fees and travel. Get Set grants have four deadlines this year: postmarked by February 1, April 1, July 1 & October 1.

Go grants provide funding for professional development and related travel. Deadline is 30 days before travel or event.

Applicants are encouraged to apply early to take advantage of this year's funding.

For more information & application forms, visit the Museumwise website at [www.museumwise.org](http://www.museumwise.org) or contact the Museumwise staff at [info@museumwise.org](mailto:info@museumwise.org) or 800.895.1648

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**2. NHPRC Digitizing Historical Records Grants**

The National Historical Publications and Records Commission will be holding two conference calls to answer questions about its Digitizing Historical Records grants program. The National Historical Publications and Records Commission seeks proposals that use cost-effective methods to digitize nationally significant historical record collections and make the digital versions freely available online. Projects must make use of existing holdings of historical repositories and

consist of entire collections or series. The materials should already be available to the public at the archives and described so that projects can re-use existing information to serve as metadata for the digitized collection.

The full announcement is available at <http://www.archives.gov/nhprc/announcement/digitizing.html>.

Applications are due on June 9, 2011. NHPRC staff will review drafts submitted by April 1, 2011.

The times for the informational conference calls are:

Thursday, January 27, 2011	4:00 pm EST
Tuesday, February 15, 2011	3:00 pm EST

If you are interested in participating, please send an email to Christine Dunham at [christine.dunham@nara.gov](mailto:christine.dunham@nara.gov) indicating your first and (if applicable) second choice. We are limited to 30 participants for each of these calls. If there is sufficient interest, we will schedule a third call.

\*\*\*When RSVPing for the call, please send in your name, affiliation and the date of the call in which you wish to participate. Please also list the names of any other staff that may be listening/participating on the call with you and whether or not you will need multiple phone lines. Due to a limited number of available phone lines, we encourage staff in the same location to share phone lines. The conference call-in number will be e-mailed out to registered callers once the call is full or one week in advance of the call date.

For more information, contact Nancy J. Melley at 202-357-5452.

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### **3. EXTRA SESSION ADDED! Care and Handling of Scrapbooks Webinar**

February 16, 2011. 2:00-4:00 pm EST

Due to the popularity of their Care and Handling of Scrapbooks webinar, the Northeast Document Conservation Center (NEDCC) has added another session on February 16, 2011.

\$95 (\$80 for early-bird registration.) Early bird deadline for this session is January 26. GROUP RATES are available. For more information on group rates, contact Kim O'Leary, (978) 470-1010 ext 226, or [koleary@nedcc.org](mailto:koleary@nedcc.org).

The live, online Care and Handling of Scrapbooks webinar will cover the issues to be addressed in order to provide the best level of care for scrapbook collections. The webinar introduces the structure of scrapbooks, types of materials commonly found in them, methods of attachment, and the implications for preservation and conservation. Low-cost, in-house preservation approaches are discussed.

For more information or to register, visit <http://www.nedcc.org/education/training/calendar.php> or contact Donia Conn [dconn@nedcc.org](mailto:dconn@nedcc.org) or 978.470.1010 ext. 220

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#### 4. Online Preservation Training Opportunities

Amigos is offering several live online courses this spring to help you preserve and protect your collections. Upcoming courses include:

- Preservation of Photographic Materials, 1/27-28
- Preserving Your Historical Records, 2/24-25
- Emergency Preparedness, Response and Recovery, 3/17, 3/24, 3/31
- Preservation of Photographic Materials, 4/27-28

For more information on these courses and many more, visit <http://www.amigos.org/node/219> or contact Elizabeth Klein, [klein@amigos.org](mailto:klein@amigos.org)

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#### 5. Call for Poster Sessions, New York Archives Conference, Saratoga Springs

2011 New York Archives Conference, June 8-10, Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs Call for Poster Presentations Deadline: March 15, 2011

The 2011 NYAC Poster Session Committee is accepting proposals for a special poster session, Archives and Special Collections in New York State: Who Knew?, to be held at the 2011 NYAC Conference at Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs June 8-10, 2011.

Eligibility for Submitting a Poster Presentation Proposal:

- Anyone working in a position as archivist or historian for a repository containing historical records in New York State.
- Individuals working in New York State who are significantly involved in arrangement and description, reference services, digitization or other technology-based projects, preservation/conservation of paper or electronic material, etc., in a professional archival setting.
- Students attending a graduate program that includes concentration in Archival Studies (or Library Science or Information Studies program with significant archival coursework) within New York State.
- The work of joint authors is also acceptable.

Poster Presentation Content:

- Content topics of interest to archivists and local historians, including but not limited to archival theory and practice, practical solutions to problems in archives, new thrusts (especially electronic collections or electronic access) in the world of archives, advocacy, etc., are appropriate.
- Content topics may also include such work as the use of historical records collections for research and/or educational purposes.
- Poster presentation content should be directly appropriate for use by of and interest to conference attendees.
- Participant selection will be based on the quality of proposals submitted.
- All applicants whose poster proposals are accepted will be expected to supply their own materials for the poster presentation, including poster presentation boards, means of adhering their poster, etc., according to specifications provided by NYAC with confirmation of acceptance.

Submission Instructions and Deadlines

To prepare and submit a proposal, please complete the proposal form that soon will be available on the New York Archives Conference website <http://www.nyarchivists.org/nyac/> and email it as an attachment to Jane Subramanian at [subramjm@potdam.edu](mailto:subramjm@potdam.edu) <<mailto:subramjm@potdam.edu>> or mail to:

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Deadline for receipt of proposals is March 15, 2011 (mailed proposals must be postmarked by March 15th ).

If you have any questions, please contact the NYAC Poster Committee Chair Jane Subramanian at [subramjm@potdam.edu](mailto:subramjm@potdam.edu) or (315) 267-3326.

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**6. Museums in Conversation Conference, Buffalo**

Join Museumwise & the Museum Association of New York April 3-5, 2011, Buffalo, NY

As museums and heritage organizations across the state argue their cases for greater

integration in an increasingly stressed educational system, for attendance and volunteerism in increasingly time-constrained leisure hours, and for funding in an increasingly challenging economic climate, the need to prove the value of our work to a whole host of stakeholders is more critical than ever. But what values to quantify and how to do it? And who will care unless we can compellingly convey our impact?

The 2011 Museums in Conversation Conference will be April 3-5, 2011 at the Hyatt Regency Buffalo. Our aspiration for this year's event is to engage New York State's museum community in a cross-discipline discussion to answer the question: How do we prove the value of museums?

Visit the conference website at <http://museumsinconversation.org/> for more information and a full schedule.

Registration opens February 1, 2011

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## 7. About this newsletter

This newsletter is distributed to the Capital District Documentary Heritage Program email list. If you would like to be added to the list, please send a message with the name and email address to [susan@cdlc.org](mailto:susan@cdlc.org) with DHP elist as the subject.

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