



Kansas Museums Association

Preserving & Promoting History - Art - Science for Kansas Communities

eNewsletter

October 4, 2011

To The Stars...through Art, Culture, History and Science

Register Now! Limited Enrollment!

Pre-Conference Workshop

Making Collections Meaningful

(in partnership with the Heritage League of Greater Kansas City)

Wednesday, October 26

9:45 - 4:00 p.m.

Fee: \$45/member \$60/non-member

(box lunch included)

This workshop will focus on documenting and researching artifacts in museums to make them meaningful to museum visitors. Workshop participants will learn how to:

- *Examine artifacts for clues to their identity, manufacture and use;*
- *Collect information from donors when artifacts are acquired;*
- *Verify donor/source information through research;*
- *Find and use resources available online; in libraries, archives, local historical societies and museums; and from manufactures;*
- *Identify, date and interpret their collections.*

Demonstrations and a hands-on research session will allow participants to hone their research skills by examining artifacts for clues, identifying questions to research and using online resources to help interpret and artifacts in their collections.

Presenters:

- *Bruce Bradley, Librarian of History of Science and Special Collections, Linda Hall Library of Science, Engineering and Technology*
- *Janice Lee, Archivist, Metropolitan Community College*
- *Jean Svadlenak, Museum Consultant and Heritage League Workshop Coordinator*
- *Diana Watkins, Archivist and Reference Librarian, Midwest Genealogy Center.*

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

[Conference Brochure \(.pdf\)](#)

Early Bird Rates Prior to October 15!

8 Conference Registration Scholarships Available

Application Deadline October 14
Scholarship Application
(Supported by the generosity of the Kansas Humanities Council)

**Kansas Museums Association
 2011 Annual Conference
 October 26-28, 2011**

**Holiday Inn Olathe · 913-829-4000
 101 W 151st Street, Olathe, KS 66061
 Conference Rate is \$79.00 per night + tax
 (Rate prior to October 22)**



Ford W. Bell

**President, American Association of
 Museums**

*Awards Luncheon - Friday, October 28, 2011
 12:15 p.m.-1:30 p.m.*

Ford W. Bell began his tenure as president of the American Association of Museums in June 2007. He brings a life-long passion for museums, and a clear understanding of the important role which museums play as places of life!



Brian Alexander

**President and CEO National World War I Museum
 at Liberty Memorial**

*Keynote Lunch - Thursday, October 27
 12:15 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.*

With more than 30 years experience in museum management, Brian Alexander is President and CEO of the National World War I Museum at Liberty Memorial. Alexander was appointed to lead the organization by the Board of Trustees in November 2007. Alexander has provided strategic leadership which has dramatically changed the operation of the newly renovated Museum. With the eight key strategic goals from the strategic plan as a foundation, the Trustees and staff have set high aspirations in areas including an outstanding visitor experience, world-class historic collections, first-rate facilities, and a strong marketing plan. To accomplish these goals the plan also outlines a strategic fundraising plan.



Julián Zugazagoitia

**Menefee D. and Mary Louise Blackwell,
 Director & CEO**

Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art

Friday, October 28, 2011



Breakfast and Keynote

8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

Julián Zugazagoitia, a man whose passion for the arts has taken him around the globe, is the fifth director of the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art and took his post September 1, 2010. Since arriving at the Museum, he has shown a high interest in reaching out to the community and in making the Nelson-Atkins more open and accessible to all visitors. Born in Mexico and educated at the Sorbonne Paris IV in France, Zugazagoitia speaks six languages and has worked at institutions in the Americas and Europe

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