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OCTOBER 6—7, 2023
QUEST CONFERENCE CENTER, COLUMBUS
#OLHAEMPOWERS | Register at ohiolha.org
8 am-3pm — Registration
8-10am — Continental Breakfast
8am-3pm — History Marketplace

The History Marketplace is like “Sharing Time” at the Alliance’s regional meeting – only without the two-minute time limit! Bring a table-top display and share your organization and its activities and accomplishments with colleagues from all over the state. Vendors of goods and services for history organizations will also be in the marketplace and may have just the solutions you’re looking for! Advanced registration required – space is limited.

9-9:50 — Concurrent Sessions

Tasting History: Perils and Rewards of Incorporating Food and Drink into Events and Programming at Your Site Food and drink can be a great way to help your visitors connect to the past and welcome them to your site. Historic food and drink have immediate relevance to visitors—after all, we all eat! But welcoming folks to a meal at your site has some more complications than having some friends over for dinner. This presentation will cover some of these issues, including samples, allergies, safety, cooking onsite/hearth cooking, what to look for/expect when choosing caterer, and a variety of issues having to do with the serving of alcohol. Kristal Bell, Director of Business Development, Ohio History Connection

Achieving World Heritage Recognition for Ohio’s American Indian Earthworks Two Thousand years ago, American Indians in the Ohio River Valley gathered together to build the largest concentration of geometric earthworks in the world. These places of gathering and ceremony drew people from across North America to connect with each other, the earth, and the cosmos in intimate and interdependent relationships. For the past twenty years, Ohio History Connection, Tribes with historic ties to Ohio, the National Park Service, and other passionate advocates have joined in an effort to recognize the remarkable achievements of these Ancestors. Together, we have proposed eight of the largest and best-preserved Ohio earthworks for UNESCO World Heritage inscription—the world’s highest honor for cultural sites. The nomination is submitted, has been reviewed, and will be voted on in September 2023! Come learn about the journey toward World Heritage—and the outcome of the vote! Jennifer Aultman, Chief Historic Sites Officer, Ohio History Connection

SPARKing Museums for All The Museums for All program is a nationally branded access program administered by Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). It allows SNAP eligible families to attend participating museums for $3 or less per ticket. Let’s discuss why your organization should participate and how it is working for those already participating. We will also share how the Ohio History Connection is innovating the meaningfulness while maintaining the principles of the program with the Spark Membership. Spark is a pilot of a yearlong, household membership for eligible families in Columbus’s Linden neighborhood. Ben Anthony, Community Engagement Department Manager & Alex Ingley, Community Engagement Coordinator, Ohio History Connection

Society of Ohio Archivists Session to be Determined Please look for updates on the OLHA and SOA websites.

10:10-11:00 am — Concurrent Sessions

Lessons Learned: Challenges in Building Partnership between the University of Cincinnati and our African-American Neighbors In the summer of 2021 the Center for the City at the University of Cincinnati began a community-based partnership with neighbors in Avondale, and African American neighborhood. This session shares the lessons we learned in building trust-based, long-term partnerships and navigating co-curation of the history of Cincinnati’s largest Black neighborhood. Anne Delano Steinert, Director, The Center for the City, & Research Assistant Professor in History, The University of Cincinnati; Erena Nakashima, Graduate Student Intern, The University of Cincinnati; Kaya Burgin, Avondale Community Council

NAGPRA: New Directions at Ohio History Connection This session will discuss the realities of repatriation, including working to build relationships, strengthening existing ones and the result of working together. Nekole Alligood, NAGPRA Specialist, Ohio History Connection

Don’t be a Shark, Lending and Borrowing Objects to Further Your Mission Incoming and outgoing loans can help you engage with your audience. Presenters will explore starting and maintaining an outgoing loan program and accepting, displaying, and returning property from institutions and private individuals. There will also be discussion of risk and what to do when it all goes wrong. Melissa Shaw, Curator, National Museum of the U. S. Air Force; Jason Crabill, Executive Director, Decorative Arts Center of Ohio

Adovcating for Your Own Slice of the Pie—SOA As archivists, we often give our support and advocacy to others, but we frequently don’t do the same for ourselves. That has to stop. We must advocate for our slice of the pie before we can be true activists for others. In this panel discussion, three archivists from different types of organizations will dish up personal stories of how they advocated for themselves. Sarah Aisenbrey, Sisters of the Precious Blood; Kayla Harris, University of Dayton; TBA

11:20-12:10pm — Concurrent Sessions

Historic Structure Reports 101: What - Why - How A Historic Structure Report (HSR) is often recommended to inform the long-term care of a historic building. But what is an HSR? What is the process? Why do public and private funders often require this document? Where can you find a consultant to create an HSR? This session will explain. Patrick Hyland, Senior Architect, Perspectus Architecture
**St. Clair’s Defeat: Improving Interpretation in Collaboration with American Indian Tribes**

The Northwest Indian War battle St. Clair’s Defeat (1791) involved multiple Native Tribes and the U.S. military. Archaeological research has evolved into updated interpretation co-created with descendents Tribes. We share two interpretive products including the traveling exhibit St. Clair’s Defeat: A New View of the Conflict and an online walking tour. **Christine Thompson, Associate Director and Archaeologist, Applied Anthropology Laboratories, Ball State University**

**Pricing the Priceless: An Introduction to the Antiques Trade for Museum Professionals**

Familiarity with the monetary value of a museum’s collections is a vital component of collections management. This panel will teach participants how an understanding of the antiques market can benefit a museum, its collections, and its mission. **Andrew Richmond, President/CEO, Wipiak Consulting & Appraisals**

**Diversity Audits: A Digital Collections Case Study—SOA**

The call for equity in the collections of libraries and archives extends beyond the physical collection and into the digital. Who does your digital collection serve? Learn how Toledo Lucas County Public Library’s Digitization Services has begun to identify and confront inequity in their own Digital Collections. **Janet Rhodes, Toledo Lucas County Public Library**

**12:30-1:45 pm — Lunch & Keynote Address**

**Chief Glenna Wallace of the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma**

Glenna J. Wallace was first elected Chief of the Eastern Shawnee Tribe in 2006. She was born in Ottawa County, Oklahoma, and has lived within 15 miles of her birthplace her entire life except for three years when at a young age, she and her family were migrant workers on the west coast, moving from town to town, field to field, patch to patch, school to school. These formative years impacted her greatly, teaching her to set goals, develop a work ethic, accept accountability, be optimistic, and treat each person with dignity. For 38½ years, she served as an instructor, department chair, division chair, director of travel, and interim academic dean at Crowder College, Neosho, Missouri, where she estimates she taught about 25,000 students. In 2006 she was elected chief of the Eastern Shawnee Tribe, an honored and elected position she continues to hold. During this time, thanks to dedicated business committee members and committed employees, the tribe has seen the addition of nine duplexes for elders, the completion of eleven new tribal buildings or additions, two casinos, road construction, a host of grants funded, new programs initiated including a Shawnee language program, and land holdings growing from approximately 400 acres to more than 2500. Progress has also been evident in the homelands of Ohio. Federally recognized tribes are consulted regularly, with Wallace participating in seeking World Heritage nomination for mounds in Ohio, obtaining a cemetery there for the burial of human remains, and modernization of Ohio burial laws.

**2:00-2:50pm — Concurrent Sessions**

**Know the 10 Warning Signs of Dementia**

This educational program will help you recognize common signs of the disease in yourself and others and next steps to take. Program explores typical age-related changes, describes common signs of Alzheimer’s and dementia, offers tips for how to approach someone about memory concerns, and identifies helpful Alzheimer’s Association resources. **Alzheimer’s Association, Central Ohio Chapter**

**Keynote Follow-Up Discussion**

Join Chief Wallace for further discussion of the themes and topics covered in her keynote address. **Chief Glenna Wallace, Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma**

**Trials, Tales, and Two-Fifty**

America 250—Ohio is getting Ohio’s counties and communities ready to celebrate the nation’s 250th anniversary in 2026. One of the ways we plan to celebrate is to create statewide exploration trails that will help visitors better understand the history and impact that Ohio has had over the past 250+ years. The big idea is to create statewide “trails and tales” that will explore themes that will highlight Ohio’s unique history through engaging stories that parallel the various stops. In this session, we will be encouraging participants to think about existing trails where their locations are already featured that could be enhanced, and ideas of how they might collaborate with other entities to create new ones. The desired outcome of these trails and tales is to have a platform to tell the story of Ohio and have a positive impact for their institutions as well as for local and statewide tourism, site visitation and economic impact. **Todd Kleismit, Executive Director, & Chris Hurtubise, Communications Director, Ohio Commission for the U.S. Semiquincentennial**

**Crucial Conversations: Under told Stories and Working with Community Groups—SOA**

Crucial Conversations: Under told Stories and Working with Community Groups will focus on community-based outreach programs and how the panelists are using their own archives and collections to tell new and less visible stories. SOA’s JEDAI Committee (Justice, Equity, Diversity, Access, and Inclusion), presents a session of two panelists who are actively engaged in community partnerships and public service. **Nicole D. Sutton, Columbus Metropolitan Library; Mandy Altimus Stahl, Massillon Museum**

**3:10-4:00pm — Plenary Session**

**Colin G. Calloway, Professor, Department of History, Dartmouth University**

Colin Calloway is John Kimball, Jr. 1943 Professor of History and Professor of Native American Studies at Dartmouth University. He received his Ph.D. from the University of Leeds in England in 1978. After moving to the United States, he taught high school in Springfield, Vermont, served for two years as associate director and editor of the D’Arcy McNickle Center for the History of the American Indian at the Newberry Library in Chicago, and taught for seven years at the University of Wyoming. He has been associated with Dartmouth since 1990 when he first came as a visiting professor. He became a permanent member of the faculty in 1995. He is the author of numerous publica-
tions, including *The Indian World of George Washington: The First President, the First Peoples, and the Birth of the Nation* (2018); *The Victory with No Name: The Native American Defeat of the First American Army* (2015); and *Pen and Ink Witchcraft: Treaties and Treaty Making in American Indian History* (2013). *Virtual presentation.*

**4:00 pm – Alliance Annual Business Meeting**

**6:30 pm – Evening Event**

*Ghost Tour at Walnut Grove Cemetery* Join the Worthington Historical Society under the moon for a tour at Walnut Grove Cemetery. Worthington residents spanning the centuries who have made Walnut Grove their final resting place will be out and about to share stories. Directions from the conference center to the Cemetery will be provided, but transportation is on your own. Please make sure to wear comfortable shoes and be prepared for the weather (rain or shine, with the exception of severe weather). **Tour is free, but pre-registration is required.**

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*The Elevator Speech and Advocacy* This session, sponsored by the Advocacy Committee, will review the importance of developing a short and effective elevator speech that will address the Who, What, When, Where, and Why of your organization. Presenters will share examples, ideas, and guidelines which can be used in the development of your own personalized, go-to introduction. **To Be Determined**

**How to Build a New Museum and Influence People: The Past, Present and Future of the New Ohio River Museum** The new Ohio River Museum is a partnership among Ohio History Connection, Northwest Territory Museum Society, the Washington County Public Library, and the Sons & Daughters of the Pioneer Rivermen. ORM Executive Director Erin Augenstein will give an update on the fundraising, construction, and interpretive planning for the project. **Erin Augenstein, Executive Director, Northwest Territory Museum Society**

**Centering Community Partners to Prioritize Change** Every day, we see growing political and cultural polarization in the United States. How can museums, as civic institutions, bring people together? The Works: Ohio Center for History, Art and Technology and local partner OSU-Newark share lessons learned from seizing opportunities for partnership to create safe spaces for diverse dialogue. **Emily Sanderell, Museum History Educator, The Works: Ohio Center for History, Art, and Technology**

**10:10-11:00 am — Concurrent Sessions**

*Recruiting Volunteers: Cast a Wide Net and Listen* Successful recruitment of volunteers involves being creative, remaining flexible, and maintaining an attitude of “just say yes”. The speakers will discuss the philosophy and actions followed through which the Historical Society has attracted a cadre of more than 70 volunteers. Included in the presentation is a discussion of preparation, flexibility, and success, e.g., a good understanding of the projects, cast a wide net across the community, be open to “non-traditional” volunteers, be nice, and look for ways to involve everyone who comes to the Society’s attention or through the Society’s doors. **Susan Logan & Karen Cowan, Volunteer Committee Co-Chairs, Delaware County Historical Society**

*Museum Education 101 and 201* Create museum education programs that break the mold. Participants will learn about program development, budgeting, curriculum connections, making school contacts, program delivery, and evaluation. Additionally, participants will discover techniques for diving deeper into stories, finding new voices, using primary sources, and exploring interactive teaching skills to bring history to life. **Traci Manning, Curator of Education, Mahoning Valley Historical Society**

*Necessary Truths: Colonial Black Life in the First Free State* The evolving research of the Charity’s Children Project explores the colonial life of an Ohio, African American family. Research is presented on events surrounding attacks on Dayton’s Black communities throughout the 1830s and 40s, bringing to life the realities of hunted Blackness in the first free state. With actual accounts of the 1841 pro-slavery mob attacks on Dayton’s thriving Black community called Africatown, we connect how these attacks, led the community “Out of The Smoke and The Ashes,” with the 1842 founding of First Wesleyan Church by the United Daughters of Zion, an organization of dedicated and industrious Black women. *(Recorded Presentation). Patricia Smith Griffin, Executive Producer, Writer and Narrator on The Legacy of Charity’s Children**

**11:20-12:10pm — Concurrent Sessions**

*The Jeffers Mound and Ohio’s Hopewell Culture* The Jeffers Mound, a Hopewell Native American burial mound, is the last remaining portion of a larger earthwork located in Worthington. Dr. Jarrod Burks, Ohio Valley Archaeology, Inc. and Dr. Richard Yerkes, Ohio State University professor have each led investigations at the Jeffers Mound site and will discuss what can be learned from this site about the Hopewell culture and how it fits into what we know about earthworks in Ohio. **Jarrod Burks, Ohio Valley Archaeology, Inc.; Dr. Richard Yerkes, The Ohio State University**

*Challenges and Pitfalls When a Museum Collects its First Historic Vehicle* In 2018 the Pro Football Hall of Fame accepted a 40’ 1987 MCI bus known as “Madden Cruiser.” Curator Jason Aikens will share his interviews of several nationally known historic vehicle curators who evalu-
Aid his care of the “Madden Cruiser” and their advice to any museum considering whether to accept its first historic vehicle. Jason Aikens, Curator, Pro Football Hall of Fame

**Understanding Your Risks: Managing Your Exposures and Protecting What Matters** Wondering whether and how much insurance your organization needs? Come to this session to learn about Property and Casualty Insurance at a high level. This will include: Property Coverage, General Liability, Directors & Officers Coverage, Cyber, Fine Arts (inland Marine) and Auto (hired and non-owned for employees/volunteers). Ron Suha, Associate Vice President, USI Insurance Services

**12:30-1:45 pm — Ohio Local History Alliance Outstanding Achievement Awards Luncheon**

The annual awards luncheon, part of the Alliance’s Annual Meeting and Conference for over two decades, honors great people and great projects that inspire fascination with community history. But the luncheon is more than honored recognition for the winners and a good meal for everybody; the luncheon is a font of ideas – inspired by award winners and by conversations around the table. Join us!

**2:00-4:00 pm — Concurrent Workshops**

**Sensory-Friendly Experiences for Guests: An Adaptable and Practical Guide for Every Site**

Megan Fitze and Simone Robinson from Art Possible Ohio for a hands-on workshop on creating sensory friendly experiences for your guests. Together, we’ll build a take-away sensory kit to bring back to your organization! In this workshop you’ll learn low-cost or free best practices to make your sites and events more welcome to individuals who are neurodivergent and/or have sensory-related disabilities. There is a $15 materials fee for this workshop and pre-registration is required.

*Megan Fitze, Executive Director, and Simone Robinson, Program Director, Art Possible Ohio*

**HR 101 for Small Organizations**

This workshop will cover the basics that all employers should know about such basic topics as hiring & firing, exempt vs non-exempt, inclusive hiring and employment practices, hostile work environments & sexual harassment, and more. The presenter will also cover changes coming in Ohio law around these topics.

*Lauren Barber, Human Resources Director, Ohio History Connection*

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*Complete a copy of this form for each registrant.*

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☐ Check here if you prefer NOT to share your email address with other meeting attendees.

Check all that apply:

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☐ Check here to agree to abide by the OLHA’s Meeting Safety & Responsibility Policy. Policy text at tinyurl.com/OLHA-Meeting-Policy

Note: Lunches are not included with registration and must be purchased individually.

**Meeting & Conference**

*Full Conference Member _______ $100

Full Conference Non-Member _______ $120

*Friday Only Member _______ $70

Friday Only Non-Member _______ $85

*Saturday Only Member _______ $70

Saturday Only Non-Member _______ $85

Student Discount (enclose copy of ID) _______ –50%

*SOA and OLHA members receive member pricing.*

**Friday Keynote Luncheon**

_______ $35

**Friday Evening Event**

Walnut Grove Ghost Tour _______ $0

**Saturday Alliance Awards Luncheon**

_______ $35

□ Vegetarian Meal □ Gluten Free Meal

**Saturday Workshops**

HR 101 for Small Organizations _______ $0

Sensory-Friendly Experiences for Guests _______ $15

**Display Table (rates are in addition to conference registration)**

Alliance Organizational Member 1/2 table _______ free

full table _______ free

Non-Member  full table _______ $100

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Cardinal Sponsor _______ $1,000

Flint Sponsor _______ $750

Carnation Sponsor _______ $500

Ladybug Sponsor _______ $250

*(complete registration on back)*
**Meeting Details**

**Directions** The Quest Conference Center is located at 9200 Worthington Rd, Suite 400, Westerville, Ohio; just east of I-71 at the Polaris Parkway exit. Detailed directions can be found on the website or by request from ohiolha@ohiohistory.org.

**Accommodations** We do not have a conference hotel this year. A wide variety of hotel options are located within walking distance of the conference center.

**Scholarships** For those who need financial help in attending the Annual Meeting, two scholarships are available. The J.D. Britton Scholarship is for an emerging museum professional, paid or volunteer, who has worked for two years or less in a museum setting. The Trella Romine Memorial Scholarship is for anyone who needs financial assistance to attend. Both awards grant full registration and lodging. See www.ohiolha.org for more details.

**General Information** Spouses and guests may register for special events and meals without registering for the full meeting. If you have dietary needs, mobility, or other special needs of which we should be aware, please contact the Executive Secretary at 614-297-2538 or ohiolha@ohiohistory.org.

**Cancellation Policy** Canceled meeting registrations will be refunded in full through Sept 22, 2023. Refunds after that date will be at the discretion of the Executive Secretary.

**Alliance Membership** Membership has its perks—The Local Historian, discounted registration for regional and annual meetings, e-mail updates, and connection to your peers in local history. When you join the Alliance as an Organizational Member, it benefits all of your organization's members. Individual members enjoy the same benefits as Organizational members, but those benefits are extended to the individual member only.

**Questions** Contact OLHA Annual Meeting and Conference, c/o Local History Services, Ohio History Connection, 800 East 17th Ave, Columbus, Ohio 43211-2497, 614-297-2538, ohiolha@ohiohistory.org.