



Call for Session Proposals

Conference 2015: Nurturing Organizational Resiliency

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Edmonton, Alberta

The Alberta Museums Association (AMA) is currently seeking session proposals for the 2015 Conference that explore the ways museums nurture organizational health and community engagement on their path towards resiliency.

True resiliency, born out of innovation, flexibility, and the ability to take risks, is demonstrated by organizational agility, community relevance, and responsiveness to issues in our interconnected world. As museums move towards a sustainable future, it is more important than ever to have a strong sense of social purpose, and utilize intelligent visioning and strategic foresight when engaging with communities.

The journey towards resiliency in the museum sector is ongoing and requires constant self-assessment, planning, implementation, and review.

- What is true organizational resiliency? How is it demonstrated:
 - Within the organization?
 - With the greater community?
- How is organizational resiliency essential to attracting and maintaining healthy relationships?
- How do you foster health and resiliency among / within your team?
- How can museums maintain organizational health in a changing environment?
- How does a healthy museum maximize its impact and involvement with its community?

Potential Topic Areas:

- Organizational Culture
- Shifts in Organizational Structure
- Team Building
- Learning Transfer
- Succession Management
- Life / Work Balance
- Recruitment Strategies
- Perfecting Policies
- Financial Management
- Diversification
- Social Innovation
- Organizations and Environmental Impact

Self-assessment and long-term planning helps museums ensure strong internal practices, which form the foundation of a resilient organization. This resiliency allows museums to demonstrate their value to society and continually contribute to creating vibrant, engaged communities.

Complete the online [Session Proposal Form](#) by Friday, March 6, 2015.

While session proposals will be reviewed by the Conference Program Committee, the AMA Secretariat is happy to serve as a sounding board for your ideas. Contact learning@museums.ab.ca for feedback or more information. For more information on the AMA and its Annual Conference, please visit www.museums.ab.ca.