

**LMME 2017: Building Community Relationships**

Date: January 9, 2017

Venue: Science World, Vancouver

Speaker Committee: Sandra Borger and Pilar Wong

Conference Website: [lmmeconference.wixsite.com/2017](http://lmmeconference.wixsite.com/2017)

The Lower Mainland Museum Educators (LMME), with support from the Telus World of Science, proudly announces its inaugural conference. This one day conference, focused on Building Community Relationships, aims to bring together staff and volunteers from museums, art galleries, science centers, and related organizations to examine lessons learned, discuss best practices, explore strategies to common problems, and network. The conference will include a keynote speaker, numerous breakout sessions, catered lunch and an evening social.

**SUBMISSION PROPOSALS**

We know that there is a breadth of knowledge and experience in the Lower Mainland; we invite you to share it with your peers! Please submit a proposal based on this year's theme: *Building Community Relationships*.

Potential topics may include:

- Working with informal educators at other institutions;
- Community collaborations and consultation;
- Initiating and creating new partnerships;
- Sustaining long-term relationships;
- Creating cultural diversity in your institution;
- Indigenous partnerships;
- Identifying community needs;
- Your unique idea related to the conference theme!

**SUBMISSION TYPES**

Proposals must follow one of the following presentation formats:

- Ignite (5 minute topic presentation and 20 minute discussion time)
- Individual presentation (25 minutes)
- Workshop (25 minutes)
- Panel (50 minutes)
- Extended workshop (50 minutes)

**SUBMITTING A PROPOSAL**

Please email your proposal application to the committee team Sandra Borger <[sborger@surrey.ca](mailto:sborger@surrey.ca)> and Pilar Wong <[pilarwong@gmail.com](mailto:pilarwong@gmail.com)>. Any questions should be sent to the committee.

Proposals must contain the following information:

- The title of your proposal
- Name(s) and contact details (email and phone) of those presenting
- Short biography, including organization affiliation (no more than 200 words)
- Summary of your proposal (no more than 500 words)
- Type of proposal (workshop: short/extended; presentation: individual/panel)
- Main session aims

*\*Please note that conference registration will be required in order to present.*

**KEY DATES**

Proposals Due: ~~Monday, October 31, 2016~~ Saturday, November 12, 2016

Contributors Contacted: Monday, November 21, 2016

Detailed Outline Due: Monday, December 12, 2016

Conference Date: Monday, January 9, 2017