

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

LMME 2020 - What Now/What Next?

Tuesday, January 14, 2020

Telus World of Science, Vancouver, BC

www.lmmeconference.com (Get your early-bird tickets now via the conference website!)

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The Lower Mainland Museum Educators (LMME), with support from Telus World of Science, are pleased to present our 2020 conference on Tuesday, January 14th, 2020.

Our Theme: *What Now/What Next?*

Our objectives:

- Learn best practices
- Explore lessons learned and talk about current problems
- Strong networking + community building

What to expect:

This one day conference includes a keynote speaker, numerous breakout sessions, and networking time including an evening social.

Delegates:

Include staff and volunteers from museums, art galleries, parks, science centres, historic sites, libraries, archives, and related organizations.

Why present?

There is a breadth of knowledge and experience in the Lower Mainland. The LMME conference depends on our community to participate. Each different organization and individuals within them bring unique perspectives, challenges, and solutions to the collective struggles we as a community face. We'd love to hear from you.

Proposals might focus on things like: Where are our facilities headed/where do we want to be, and what paths we might take to get there. Experimenting and prototyping. Efforts made to change, that failed (or didn't work out quite right). Launch pads for future work. Places for "people like me" (representation). How to welcome/reach new audiences. Steps to creating an ongoing culture within organizations that is truly welcoming. Creating meaning & engagement.

The deadline for submissions is September 24th, 2019.

Presentation types:

- Ignite: A to-the-point, five minute presentation followed by a long discussion period. This session helps to create dialogue, foster learning, and is fun for all. Usually, the slides are timed and automatically advance: 20 slides of 15 seconds each.
- Workshop: Plan a hands-on, kinesthetic, or practical session that fills most of your time period. Share tools, practice skills, and make it memorable.
- Panel: Two or more speakers share the time equally, reflecting on topics that complement each other. Plan for a longer Q&A session to interact with the audience.
- Individual Presentation: The session time is spent on one speaker and topic, followed by a short Q&A period. Share complex or sensitive topics in this type of presentation.
- Something else? We are open to ideas!

All sessions will be 25 or 50 minutes long.

SUBMITTING YOUR PROPOSAL

Please request a submission form by contacting us at LMMepresenters@gmail.com. We will be in touch once your proposal has been submitted.

Additionally, Keely, Sarah and Wendy are happy to help you brainstorm before you submit, or discuss ideas you may have, please feel free to reach out to us at LMMepresenters@gmail.com.

MORE INFORMATION

What we're looking for:

- A mix of topics and perspectives
- Diverse group of speakers
- Practicality and positivity
- Awareness: you'll be speaking to a mixed level of expertise, skill sets and professions. You don't need to speak to everyone, in fact, please make your target audience clear

Need help?

Feel free to [reach out](#) for help in preparing your proposal. We can aim to pair you with a temporary presentation mentor, or find someone/some people to brainstorm with!

KEY DATES

- Proposals due by 11:59 p.m., September 24th, 2019
- Contributors contacted by: October 14, 2019
- Conference date: Tuesday, January 14, 2020