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Upcoming Events

Museums Association of the Caribbean 27th Annual General Meeting

Call for Papers Deadline June 15th

Our 27th AGM will be held at the National Gallery of the Cayman Islands from 9th Oct-11th Oct



2016. We are currently seeking proposals from museum professionals which addresses the 27th AGM conference theme ***The Essential Museum – Redefining the role of the cultural and heritage sector for 21st century audiences.***

Our theme probes participants to consider the following museological issues: How can museums define and demonstrate our public value in the modern age? How can our institutions play integral roles in civic engagement, education, research, stewardship, and social change? Who are our audiences and what are their needs? Who are we not (yet) serving and how can we better connect? How can the digital realm help grow audiences and open up access for hard-to-reach communities?

[Please click here for more information on the AGM and to learn more about the call for papers](#)



The National Gallery of the Cayman Islands (NGCI)

Established in 1996, NGCI is a vibrant arts organisation that seeks to fulfil its mission through exhibitions, artist residencies, education/outreach programmes and research projects.

The NGCI operates in both a local and global arena. As part of their mission to promote and encourage the appreciation and practice of the visual arts, of and in the Cayman Islands the NGCI sends Caymanian art and artists abroad as well as having many fine international artists visit, exhibit and work in the Cayman Islands.

[Check here for more on The National Gallery of the Cayman Islands](#)

International Museum News Updates

ICOM International Museum Day

Museums and Cultural Landscapes

The worldwide community of museums will celebrate International Museum Day on and around 18 May 2016.

The theme of the 2016 International Museum Day will be **Museums and Cultural Landscapes**, which is also the theme of the General Conference of the International Council of Museums (ICOM), to be held in Milan, Italy from 3 to 9 July 2016.

The objective of International Museum Day is to raise awareness of the fact that, "Museums are an important means of cultural exchange, enrichment of cultures and development of mutual understanding, cooperation and peace among peoples." Organised on and **around 18 May** each year, the events and activities planned to celebrate International Museum Day can last a day, a weekend or a whole week.

Participation in International Museum Day is growing among museums all over the world. In 2015, more than 35,000 museums participated in the event in some 145 countries.

Museums, promote your International Museum Day activities on a world map.

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Collection highlights from Caribbean Museums



The 7 Cent Lee Lum Coin, Minted in Birmingham, UK. These coins were given as change to estate workers in Trinidad for use in John Lee Lum's



Icon of National Hero Rt. Excellent Sir Garfield Sobers from the permanent collection of **The Barbados Museum of Parliament**

general stores when they presented IOUs from their estates. John Lee Lum was a pioneer in the oil industry in Trinidad and Tobago. From the permanent collection of **The Central Bank Money Museum of Trinidad and Tobago**.

Programme Spotlight

Museums Professional Exchange Programme

APPLY TODAY!

The Museums Association of the Caribbean (MAC) has a vision for the continuous engagement and training of museum professionals across the Caribbean. To this end an exchange programme was envisioned by the Board and adopted by the membership at the 2014 AGM in Kingston Jamaica. The intention of the programme is to provide training opportunities for museum professionals, students of museology, heritage studies and related disciplines through exchanges within the MAC membership circuit. The programme occurs year round, applications can be made at any time. The applications are vetted by a selection committee and the student and/or professional will be placed in a listed, suitable institution.

Please click on the links below to find out more information about the program and to access our application forms. Please send the completed application forms, with the subject "MAC Museum Professionals Exchange Programme" to the following email:
secretariat@caribbeanmuseums.com

[Please find student application forms here](#)

[Please find museum professionals application forms here](#)



Become a member of MAC!

Membership is open to any organisation or individual who has an interest in preserving the heritage of the Caribbean. Membership is



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through an annual fee, usually payable at the AGM.

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