



WEST VIRGINIA  
ASSOCIATION  
OF MUSEUMS

## Call for Proposals

### ***America at 250 – West Virginia Plans for the Semiquincentennial***

**2024 Annual Meeting and Conference  
Shepherdstown, WV  
June 6-8, 2024**

The West Virginia Association of Museums' annual meeting and conference will be held June 6-8, 2024, at Shepherd University in Shepherdstown, West Virginia. The theme of WVAM's 2024 conference is "America at 250: West Virginia Plans for the Semiquincentennial." Those who attend the conference will discuss the national efforts for the 250th anniversary and what West Virginian institutions are planning for this event. We hope that this conference will be a space for sharing ideas and planning collaborations.

WVAM is now accepting proposals for papers, presentations, workshops, and poster sessions addressing our theme of "America at 250: West Virginia Plans for the Semiquincentennial." Potential topics include (but are not limited to):

- presentations on what WV institutions or organizations are planning for the 250th Anniversary
- research on topics relevant to the revolutionary period (broadly defined) in West Virginia
- how to research/interpret topics and themes relevant to the revolutionary period
- topics on how the Revolution has been commemorated in the past in West Virginia
- project planning and management

As always, WVAM is also accepting proposals for sessions that focus on interpretation, communication, diversity and inclusion, marketing/PR, fundraising, educational resources, constructing exhibits, and other public history topics. Please email us at [museumsofww@gmail.com](mailto:museumsofww@gmail.com) or call WVAM President Crystal Wimer at 304.813.8569 if you have questions.

In addition to WVAM's traditional conference sessions, we will also be including a poster session for students to present their research or projects related to museums and public history:

<https://shorturl.at/ivxP8>

The deadline for submission of proposals is January 15, 2024.

The mission of the West Virginia Association of Museums is to serve, educate, advocate for, and enhance communications within the museum community. By listening to its members, serving their interests, and keeping members informed of current national standards and activities, WVAM works to benefit institutions, professionals, volunteers, and others interested in the museums of the Mountain State.

# WVAM 2024

## *America at 250: West Virginia Plans for the Semiquincentennial*

Proposal Submission Form  
Submission Deadline: January 15, 2024

Title of Session/Panel/Workshop:

Description: (Please include goals, session abstract, and relevance to WVAM's purpose or conference theme. 150 words maximum. Use back or attach sheets if necessary.)

Summary: (Please include a summary on the back of this sheet or attach sheets if necessary.)

Session format and length:

☐ 45 minute paper/session

☐ 90 minute paper/session

☐ 45 minute panel discussion

☐ 90 minute panel discussion

☐ Other (please describe) \_\_\_\_\_

Is session sponsored by a Professional Interest Group? Which one? \_\_\_\_\_

Media Needs:

☐ Flip Chart

☐ Laptop & Projector

☐ VCR & Monitor

☐ Dry Erase Board

☐ DVD & Monitor

☐ Other (please describe) \_\_\_\_\_

Presenter/Session Leader:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Affiliation, if any: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Participants: (please include name, affiliation, and contact information, as well as session contribution for each presenter. Attach additional sheets as needed)

---

---

---

Important Note: WVAM does not pay honoraria or travel expenses.

Send to: WVAM, PO Box 4589, Morgantown, WV 26504

museumsofww@gmail.com

phone: 304.813.8569