

Museum Advisory Team Meeting October 5, 2021



- Acceptance of the Agenda
- Acceptance of the Minutes – April 6, 2021 (No July Meeting)
- Presentation from Dr. L. Marshall Washington, President of KVCC
- Informational Updates
- Advisor Discussion
- Next Meeting – January 4, 2022 @ 5:30 PM (Future Meeting – April 5, 2022)
- Adjournment



**Presentation from
Dr. L. Marshall Washington,
President of KVCC**



Biggest Highlight for 2021 – Reopening Activities

- Museum Public Hours – Tuesdays – Saturdays
 - 10-11:30 & 1:30-3PM daily sessions
 - Preregistration, visitor feedback, cleaning protocols – many pandemic practices to remain in place for now.
 - Open 4 New Exhibits
 - The Global Language of Headwear open thru. October 24th
 - History of Buttons open thru. January 2, 2022
 - Expanding Scott’s World: A Journey of Autism Through Art open thru. January 2, 2022
 - Giants, Dragons & Unicorns (Now Closed)
- Updates to Exhibit Galleries – touchless experiences & other activities
- Online programs, exhibits and activities
- More to come in exploring “after hours” programs, outreach & other community engagement opportunities*



A Few More Highlights from 2021

- Major reexamination and overhaul of the museum's website design, functionality and branding review
- Preparing American Alliance of Museums' reaccreditation self-study reports due November 1, 2021. The Museum has been accredited since 1991



A Few more Highlights from 2021

- Juneteenth: Celebration of Freedom Event (June 19) – held as a virtual with 2,400 views; 381 likes and 382 comments
- Completed photo documentary project of Kalamazoo area conducted every 10 years. The project resulted in 7,504
- Acquisition of 7 Black Lives Matter artworks produced the summer 2020
- Patient No More exhibit after extended run was recently shipped out to the next venue.



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- Installation of new Pavegen – kinetic tiles exhibit;
- Work continues on long-term exhibit projects
 - Kalamazoo Boxing Academy (TBD)
 - Working on future exhibits on News Media Literacy with WMU, KPS and other school districts for spring 2022 –spring 2023



Innovative use of the Museum's Planetarium and collaboration with Connecting Chords Music Festival

Looking Ahead Fall 2021



35TH ANNUAL

CHEMISTRY DAY

OCTOBER 16, 2021, VIDEO PREMIERE AT 12 P.M.

Local chemists put on a digital reenactment of *The Wizard of Oz* with a chemistry twist! Follow Dorothy and her faithful dog, Trout, from Kalamazoo, Michigan, as local chemists from manufacturing and educational institutions use their lab supplies, smoke, and magic to help Dorothy find the Wicked Witch of the West. The 35th annual Chemistry Day is co-sponsored by the Kalamazoo Section of the American Chemical Society and the Kalamazoo Valley Museum.

The Kalamazoo Valley Museum is operated by Kalamazoo Valley Community College and is governed by its Board of Trustees.

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- Chemistry Day, October 16th Virtual Event



Looking ahead to end of 2021

- KVM to host annual Great Lakes Planetarium Association's Conference in November 10-14, 2021
- Post Holiday Parade – Museum to provide handout activities on the entry plaza November 20th
- Art Hop in December – Museum to host annual concert with Kalamazoo Mandolin and Guitar Orchestra
- Toys II: The Inside Story exhibit opens January 22, 2022
- Kalamazoo Boxing Academy Exhibit opens February 5, 2022



Capital Projects Highlights for Fiscal Year 2022

- ❖ AV Updates for MJST
- ❖ **D-7 Planetarium Systems Update**
- ❖ Collections Care & Management Initiatives
- ❖ ADA Door openers for 3rd Floor Restrooms
- ❖ Reaccreditation Expenses for American Alliance of Museums

Capital Projects Highlights for Fiscal Year 2021

- ❖ Innovative Exhibit Updates including Pavegen kinetic tile energy capture and storage demonstration
- ❖ Dome Cleaning
- ❖ Building Improvements



Please consider sign up for this free challenge event now through the October 21st.



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