



**Annual Conference**  
**Monday, May 13, 2013**  
 American Museum of Natural History

**8:00 a.m. Registration & Light Breakfast**

Grand Gallery (1<sup>st</sup> Floor)  
 (77<sup>th</sup> Street entrance)

**8:45 a.m. Welcome Remarks & Opening Conversation**

Kaufmann Theater  
 (1<sup>st</sup> Floor)

- ❖ **Sheri Levinsky Raskin**, President NYCMER
- ❖ **Olivia Kalin**, Vice President NYCMER
- ❖ **Susan Perkins**, Associate Curator, Division of Invertebrate Zoology and Associate Professor, Richard Gilder Graduate School, American Museum of Natural History
- ❖ **Elizabeth Merritt**, Founding Director, Center for the Future of Museums, American Alliance of Museums
- Ruth Cohen**, Senior Director of Education Strategic Initiatives and Director of the Center for Lifelong Learning, American Museum of Natural History

**10:15 a.m. Morning Concurrent Sessions**

- Oral History in a Public Context: Fostering Human Connections with Broader Public Meanings (session will run 75 minutes) 2<sup>nd</sup> Fl. Rose Center Classroom (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)
- Art Museums for the Masses: Open Educational Resources for Lifelong Learners Sackler Educational Laboratory (1<sup>st</sup> Floor)
- From Ancient to Contemporary Art: Sustaining Integrity and Relevance Calder Lab (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)
- Tackling the Common Core: From Theory to Practice Davis PD Classroom # 1 (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)
- Your Personal Twitter Account: Tweeting Toward #MuseumEd Professional Development Davis PD Classroom # 2 (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)
- Tableau Vivant: History and Practice 4<sup>th</sup> Fl. Rose Center Classroom (4<sup>th</sup> Floor)
- Baobabs, Bivalves, and Button Blankets: Lessons from 12 Years of the Discovery Room Discovery Room (1<sup>st</sup> Floor)
- Modeling Teaching Techniques for Access Audiences Meet outside Kaufmann Theater following Welcome Remarks

**11:30 a.m. Lunch**

- ❖ List of local lunch locations provided at registration desk.
- ❖ Peer Group lunch groups will meet in Grand Gallery (77<sup>th</sup> Street entrance).
- ❖ **Remember to return from lunch via 77<sup>th</sup> Street entrance for reentry.**

### 1:00 p.m. Afternoon Concurrent Sessions I

- Creative Conversations About “Sticky Subjects” Sackler Educational Laboratory (1<sup>st</sup> Floor)
- Pitfalls and Possibilities: Building Strong Relationships Between Museums and Community Organizations Calder Lab (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)
- Watching to Learn: Facilitating Film Programs in Museums Davis PD Classroom # 1 (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)
- State of School Programs: Putting Research to Work Davis PD Classroom # 2 (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)
- Experimental Programming: Educator and Artist Collaborations 2<sup>nd</sup> Fl. Rose Center Classroom (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)
- Beyond the Stroller Tour: Engaging Caregivers and Babies in a Museum Environment Virtual Reality Room (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)
- Evaluation Impact: The Evolution of Intensive Youth Programs Rm. 319 (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor)
- Night at the Museum: Public Programming After Dark 4<sup>th</sup> Fl. Rose Center Classroom (4<sup>th</sup> Floor)

### 2:15 p.m. Afternoon Concurrent Sessions II

- Autism-Friendly Early Openings: How to Engage Community in Training, Design & Evaluation Sackler Educational Laboratory (1<sup>st</sup> Floor)
- Museum Teen Summit: Teen Leaders Tell It Like It Is Davis PD Classroom # 1 (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)
- Strategies for Evaluating Visitors’ Experiences Using Technologies Davis PD Classroom # 2 (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)
- Smile, You’re on Camera: Video as a Reflection Tool 2<sup>nd</sup> Fl. Rose Center Classroom (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)
- Access to Art - Creating Opportunities for Adults in Mental Health Programs Virtual Reality Room (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)
- Video Games, Museums, and Learning 4<sup>th</sup> Fl. Rose Center Classroom (4<sup>th</sup> Floor)
- The Think Tank: Art Museum Educators and K-8 Teachers in Dialogue Calder Lab (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)

### 3:30 p.m. Poster Session

Davis PD Classroom #1 (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)

#### Topics include:

- Virtual Worlds for Science Education
- Teamwork and Action Research
- Practical Applications for the Common Core
- Engaging Community at Historic Houses
- History of Tableau Vivant
- Resources for Museum Access Programs

**Stop by on your way to the reception—it’s right next door!**

### 3:30 p.m. Free Time in AMNH Galleries and Special Exhibitions

Tickets for special exhibitions will be distributed at registration on a first come, first served basis. Limited availability.

- *Whales: Giants of the Deep*
- *Flight of the Butterflies* IMAX
- *The Butterfly Conservatory: Tropical Butterflies Alive in Winter*
- *Our Global Kitchen: Food, Nature, Culture*
- *Journey to the Stars* Space Show

### 4:30 p.m. Concluding Reception

North Galleria (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)

### 5:30 p.m. Conference Ends -- Join us at 78 Below for the after party!

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