

### **2024 Conference Exhibitor Guide**





### Three Reasons to Exhibit at AMM 2024

# Exhibitor placement ensures maximum visibility.

Exhibitors will be located in gathering spaces near session rooms and the ballroom where attendees mingle and get food and beverages during 30-60-minute breaks throughout the day, to allow the greatest number of opportunities for attendee engagement.





# You'll have many opportunities for meaningful interactions.

Exhibitors get to attend sessions and events, just like other attendees. This is YOUR community too, and we're ready to help you strengthen your connections during networking lunches, evening events, tours, and more.

## Exhibitors are the primary focus of our breaks all day long.

During morning coffee breaks and our free afternoon cocktail reception, we spotlight our exhibitors. Food, beverages, meetups, and ephemeral programming will be sprinkled throughout exhibitor areas during breaks to make it easy for exhibitors to connect with attendees.

*New!* We're hosting a "Prize Hour" during the final conference break for exhibitors and sponsors offering giveaways as part of their promotional efforts.



### **Exhibitor Packages**

### Virtual + In-Person 8 x 8 Exhibit Space Package \$1,400

- 8ft x 8ft in-person exhibit space located in an attendee session traffic zone
- Includes table and space for pop-up banners and floor displays
- Dedicated page in the online platform for access by virtual and in-person attendees
- 16:9 Networking Lunch slideshow ad
- Two (2) Virtual + In-Person registrations for use by employees or guests
- Access to Attendee List in the online platform (includes the virtual and in-person attendees who have opted in)
- Acknowledgment at the Midwest Museums Recognition Lunch



#### Virtual Only Package \$500

- Dedicated page in the online platform for access by virtual and in-person attendees
- Two (2) Virtual Only registrations for use by employees or guests
- Access to Attendee List in the online platform (includes the virtual and in-person attendees who have opted in)
- Acknowledgment at the Midwest Museums Recognition Lunch

#### Virtual + In-Person Tabletop Only Package \$1,200

- Table for tabletop displays located in an attendee session traffic zone
- Includes table only (no floor space)
- Dedicated page in the online platform for access by virtual and in-person attendees
- 16:9 Networking Lunch slideshow ad
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**Corporate or institutional membership** in the Association of Midwest Museums or the Ohio Museums Association is required to exhibit in-person or virtually. <u>Contact AMM</u> to check the status of your membership.

Deadline: May 31, 2024

## **Exhibitor Locations**

#### **Conference Venue**

Conference sessions, networking activities, and exhibits will be hosted at the Hilton Columbus at Easton. These photos depict some of the areas where exhibitors will be located.





Easton Foyer

**Regent Foyer** 

### **Exhibitor Locations**

The map below depicts the locations of exhibitors in the foyers where networking events will take place.





## **Additional Engagement Opportunities**

### Sponsorship

Museums and companies can support the conference and build awareness of their products or services as monetary or in-kind sponsors. Opportunities range from \$500 to \$10,000. To learn more about sponsorship opportunities, visit the conference website: <a href="mailto:ammconference.org/sponsor">ammconference.org/sponsor</a>

### **Advertising Upgrades**

**NEW!** AMM is moving away from a traditional printed program and tote bag inserts. Exhibitor packages now include a 16:9 Networking Lunch Slideshow Ad which will loop continuously during the lunch event. In addition, we will distribute a Midwest Marketplace Flyer to attendees with their Schedule-at-a-Glance.

Exhibitors have the option to upgrade or purchase additional advertising in the exhibit reservation form:

- Midwest Marketplace Flyer Ad
- Website 1:1 Sidebar Ad
- AMM E-News or Conference E-Blast Block Ad (Image and Link only)
- AMM Blog and E-News Feature Article (Text, Image, and Link)

For more information on advertising, visit the conference website: <u>ammconference.org/sponsor/advertise</u>.

### **Presentation Opportunities**

Sponsors at the Presenting and Spotlight levels (\$5,000-10,000) receive the opportunity to present a 60minute in-person session during the conference as part of their benefits package. Exhibitors may request to add a pre-recorded virtual session to their benefits package for a fee of \$200 or an in-person session for \$500 (pending availability). Contact AMM about an upgrade by March 31.

Sponsor and exhibitor sessions must meet conference Call for Proposals requirements and feature at least one museum presenter, not directly sell products or services, and feature educational content. Session outlines and presenter lists must be submitted for review by AMM's Program Committee. AMM will collaborate with presenters on a descriptions and title that will be used in promotion of the program.

#### Have questions? Contact AMM at admin@midwestmuseums.org.

### Click here to reserve your exhibit space online.





Companies and organizations who choose to exhibit at our conference agree to follow our <u>health policy</u> and <u>Code of Conduct</u>. In addition, you acknowledge and agree to the following terms and conditions:

- Membership: Membership in AMM is required.
- **Reservations and Placement:** Exhibitors are confirmed on a first come, first served basis. Every effort will be made to honor first choice locations, but preferred locations are not guaranteed. Full payment must be received to confirm your booking and the placement of your exhibit space or table.
- **Conference Registration:** In-Person exhibitors receive complimentary Virtual + In-Person registrations, and Virtual Only exhibitors receive Virtual Only registrations. Exhibitors must register employees for the conference using the designated attendee registration form (separate from the Exhibitor reservation form) before the close of online registration. AMM will send instructions on how to register employees and access discounts associated with your booking. If exhibitors have more than two employees attending the conference, they will be required to register and purchase registrations for the additional employees and will have access to member rates.
- **Conference Badges:** Exhibitors have access to all sessions and activities at the conference, and each employee must wear a conference badge for access. Badges cannot be shared among representatives.
- **Display Requirements:** Exhibits must not project beyond the space allocated or obstruct the view of other exhibitors. Tabletop Only Displays come with a 6ft table and chairs, and everything must display on top of the table. If floor space is required, an 8ft x 8ft space must be reserved. 8ft x 8ft spaces also include a 6ft table and chairs. Noise levels must not interfere with neighboring exhibits.
- Additional Services and Fees: All exhibit spaces will be equipped with a table, tablecloth, and 2 chairs. Electricity is available for an extra fee, and exhibitors will be able to order electricity directly from the hotel after your reservation is confirmed. Basic Wi-Fi will be available for free in all meeting spaces for use by attendees and exhibitors. If you require hardline connected internet (higher speeds), you will also be able to request this from the hotel's provider for an additional fee.
- Schedule: Exhibitors must adhere to the exhibit schedule and ensure that at least one representative is always present at or near their exhibit space during conference open hours.
- Delivery/Shipping: Exhibit materials may be shipped in advance to the conference venue with delivery no sooner than July 26, 2024. Materials will be stored by the hotel and delivered to the conference center. Exhibitors may incur storage and handling fees for advance shipments and will be billed directly by the hotel. Shipments must be packed properly and addressed to: Hilton Columbus at Easton, 3900 Chagrin Drive, Columbus, OH, 43219 / HOLD FOR: Association of Midwest Museums Conference Jul 31-Aug 3 / Exhibitor name, exhibit space number, onsite contact name and phone number.
- **Advertising:** Exhibitors receive a complimentary 16:9 Networking Lunch Slideshow ad. Please see the advertising specifications and deadlines listed on our conference website: <u>ammconference.org</u>.
- Virtual Platform Page: Participation in Virtual Day is optional, but highly encouraged. The treatment of exhibitor pages in the virtual platform will be uniform, with a set design and list of options for content. AMM will be in touch via email to gather the content for your company's page.
- Liability: Exhibitor shall be fully responsible to pay for any and all damage to property owned by the conference hotel/venue, its owners or managers that results from any act or omission of Exhibitor. Exhibitor agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the conference hotel/venue and Association of Midwest Museums, and their owners, managers, officers or directors, agents, employees, subsidiaries and affiliates, from any damages or charges resulting from Exhibitor's use of the property. Exhibitor's liability shall include all losses, costs, damages, or expenses arising from or out of or by reason of any accident or bodily injury or other occurrences to any person or persons, including the Exhibitor, its agents, employees, and business invitees which arise from or out of the Exhibitor's occupancy and use of the exhibition premises, the Hotel or any part thereof.