Wiki Loves Small Museums

Guidelines for image contribution at the Small Museum Association Conference.

Contributing to a Digital Presence: Wiki Loves Small Museums Sunday, February 15, 2015, 12.00-4.00 p.m.

Learn how your institution can engage with the public through Wikipedia, and contribute images to Wikipedia directly during an onsite edit-a-thon at the Small Museum Association Conference. Hosting a Wikipedia edit-a-thon or encouraging the contributions of content experts in your community are valuable ways to build partnerships and enhance online presence. Abram Fox will provide an overview of how to organize a Wikipedia editing event at your institution.

Mary Mark Ockerbloom will lead a "Wiki Loves Small Museums" workshop where you can contribute to public knowledge.

We invite attendees at SMA 2015 to bring pictures of their institutions and artifacts, to be released on Wikimedia Commons under a free license which will allow them to be reused not only in Wikipedia but everywhere by everyone.

- 1) Take photographs of your institution or artifacts in your collection, or choose documents or ephemera for scanning.
- 2) Bring them to our SMA workshop
- 3) Volunteer Wikipedians will help you to release the images you bring to the event, and to edit Wikipedia articles and correct errors.



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