Dear Members, Colleagues, and Friends,

We are very pleased to share our 2018 annual report with all of you! 2018 was a banner year for MANY and we have many people to thank for that. We provided opportunities for museum professionals to meet, to learn, and to support each other with our annual conference, "Visioning Change," professional development workshops, and Meet-Ups. We are grateful for the 23 museums that hosted MANY programs around the State. In January, we launched a new website that has allowed us to tighten financial controls and improve how we communicate with our members. In May, we premiered "This Month in NYS Museums," a new e-newsletter that focuses on our shared interests in strengthening our resources, building our relationships with our communities, and growing access to our collections and exhibitions.

Our partnership with the Smithsonian Institution’s Museums on Main Street Program and project supporters helped start the process of bringing the Water/Ways exhibition to our State in 2019. Plans are underway to continue to leverage the resources of our nation’s preeminent museums to increase the capacity of our State’s smallest museums.

Along with our successes, including the addition of 122 new members, there was a disappointment. The Governor’s veto of the Museum Education Act prompted us to take a good look at our priorities and the interests and capacities of our members. MANY’s 2019 State of New York State Museums is surveying the field as this annual report is released. Legislators and Education Department staff are eager to use the results to help us craft a new bill and create a dedicated funding stream for museums as educational partners.

MANY’s board of directors volunteered hundreds of hours of their time to strengthen our state’s museums and are increasing the value of what we can offer as an association to individual, organizational, and industry partner members.

We thank you for your work as a museum staff member, a trustee, a volunteer, an independent consultant, a service provider, an industry partner, or a stakeholder. We couldn’t support museums without you!

Sincerely,

Suzanne LeBlanc
President, MANY Board of Directors
President, Long Island Children’s Museum

Erika Sanger
Executive Director
**Our History**
MANY was granted its NYS charter in 1962 to create a service organization uniquely qualified to serve all of our state's arts, history, and cultural organizations.

**Our Mission**
The Museum Association of New York inspires, connects, and strengthens New York's cultural community statewide by advocating, educating, collaborating, and supporting professional standards and organizational development.

**Our Vision**
MANY insures that New York State museums operate at their full potential as economic drivers and essential components of their communities.

**Our Members**
635 members located in every REDC region, of every budget size, and discipline.
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415 Museum professionals & industry partners attended the 2018 annual conference and provided a $500,000 economic impact to Rochester, NY.
FINANCIAL REPORT

For the fiscal year January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018

INCOME
- Programs $130,857.02
- Fundraising $35,439.00
- Membership $57,405.00
- Grants $46,604.98
- TOTAL $270,306.00

EXPENSES
- Operations $36,454.88
- Personnel $148,019.52
- Programs $98,119.16
- Advocacy $8,180.83
- TOTAL $290,774.39

MANY HIGHLIGHTS

- MANY members located in every REDC region (626)
- Growth since September 2016 (72%)
- Museum professionals & industry partners attended the 2018 annual conference (415)
- Smithsonian Museum on Main Street (MoMS) Program Water/Ways NYS sites (6)
- NYS delegates for 2018 Museums Advocacy Day (46)
- Participants for the re-launch of Museum Institute at Great Camp Sagamore (16)
- Workshops & Attendees (6 & 104)
- Fall meet ups with Attendees (10 & 245)
- Launch of “This Month in NYS Museums” newsletter and launch of a brand new website.
2018 ANNUAL CONFERENCE SPONSORS

$3,000
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$2,500
NYS Cultural Education Department

$2,000
NY State Suffrage Commission

$1,500
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Break the Ice Media
Cornell University Press
Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor
Rochester Community Foundation

$650
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Gaylord Archival

$500
AD Workshops
Documentary Heritage & Preservation Services (DHPSNY)

$500
Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area

$500
Museum on Main Street / Smithsonian

$500
Pomeroy Foundation

$500
Quatrefoil Associates

$500
Spicer Art Conservation

$500
Tour-Mate System Limited

$500
Wegmans Rochester

$400
Retail Council of NYS

$300
Dorfman Figures
Explus
Kohler Ronan
National Association for Museum Exhibition (NAME)

$250
American Alliance of Museums
West Lake Conservators

$200
Greater Hudson Heritage Network

In-Kind
Arigami
Casa Larga
OnCell
I Love NY
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Note: Donations from 1/1/2018 through 12/31/2018. Our sincere apologies for any errors or omissions. Please contact us with any corrections.

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LOOKING AHEAD

The Museum Institute at Great Camp Sagamore

September 24 - 27, 2019
Lead Presenter Tonya Matthews, PhD
Director of Inclusion
American Alliance of Museums

The Power of Partnership

20 Annual Conference
20 Albany, NY
March 29 - 31

2019
June 29 - August 11
Erie Canal Museum

August 17 - September 29
Aurora Masonic Center

October 5 - November 17
Buffalo Niagara Heritage Village

November 23 - January 5
Chapman Museum

2020
January 11 - February 23
Hudson River Maritime Museum

February 29 - April 11
East Hampton Historical Society