



2020 Heritage Invitational Exhibit

Request for Proposals

Join the Club

An exhibit exploring the history of clubs and organizations in the Mid-Willamette Valley



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The Willamette Heritage Center (WHC) is requesting exhibit proposals from heritage organizations around the Mid-Willamette Valley for participation in the 10th Annual Heritage Invitational Exhibit. This year's exhibit will focus on stories of clubs and organizations in our community.

The exhibit will run Thursday, January 23, 2020 (invitation only reception) through Saturday, April 18, 2020

How do we participate?

Organizations from or telling the stories of events happening in Polk, Marion, Linn, and Yamhill counties are eligible to participate by curating and installing a display in a portion of the WHC's changing exhibit gallery, based upon the year's theme. Participating organizations choose what stories, artifacts, photos or other display materials from their collections best fit with the theme and install the materials in the gallery space. The Willamette Heritage Center provides the space, printing of one 18" x 24" introductory label, and the use of at least one exhibit case to protect materials displayed. Because space in the gallery is limited, participants must submit a brief exhibit proposal. In the event of having more organizations wishing to participate than we can physically accommodate, a committee made up of the WHC's senior staff and two representatives from outside organizations will make the final decision on participants based on the submitted proposals.

Guidelines for exhibit proposals (no more than 1 page):

Please include the following information in your proposal:

1. What is the topic of your exhibit?
2. Why is it significant to your organization or community?



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3. What could visitors potentially see, hear, read, touch and/or experience in your space?
4. What do you want visitors to take away after viewing your section?

Please send exhibit proposals to Kylie Pine by Friday, November 22, 2019

ATTN: 2020 Exhibit Proposals/Kylie Pine
Willamette Heritage Center
1313 Mill Street SE, Suite 200
Salem, OR 97301
Or email at kyliep@willametteheritage.org

Heritage Invitational Exhibit Background

The WHC's mission is to preserve and interpret the history of the Mid-Willamette Valley. We cannot accomplish this on our own. The WHC created the Heritage Invitational Exhibit 9 years ago to highlight the diverse and exceptional work being done by heritage organizations throughout the region. The WHC envisions the invitational exhibit as providing a venue for heritage groups and organizations to share their message with a wider audience, collaborate with other like-minded organizations, and gain exhibit development experience.

About the Theme – What are we looking for?

From fraternal organizations, to service groups to kid's associations — clubs help shape our identity, widen our network and form community. They can provide a place of belonging and shared interests. They can also divide and exclude. This exhibit will look at the great variety of clubs and organizations in our region.

We are looking for exhibits that focus on clubs in your community.

Exhibit Planning Timeline

November 22, 2019	Proposals due
December 2, 2019	Notification of participants
Friday, December 6, 2019 10:00 am	Informational meeting for participants
Mon. January 6, 2020	Deadline for content submission for introductory labels
January 13 - 17, 2020	Gallery installation
Thur. January 23, 2020 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm	Exhibit reception
Fri. January 24, 2020	Exhibit open to the public
Sat. April 18, 2020	Exhibit closes to the public
April 20 – 24, 2020	Teardown and pick up materials