



MOMCC

2024 Spring Conference

Call for Workshops and Sessions

Bishop Hill IL
March 21-23, 2024



Seeking Utopia:

A Look on How Innovations and Traditions Help Some Utopias Thrive

Join us at the Utopia on the Prairie as we look at the ways that technology advances, combined with traditional crafts, help utopias and other historic sites survive and prosper. Investigate the various ways these places have evolved over the decades. For this particular conference, we will emphasize hands-on workshops, where participants will learn about traditional handicrafts.

The conference organizers seek speakers, sessions, and workshop proposals relevant to this broad theme. Sessions and workshop topics may include, but are not limited to:

- **How traditions and technological innovations combined help living history museums thrive**
- **Historic crafts, trades, and classes**
- Topics related to the successful operations of living history museums
- Programming in the Present and Future in our new social climate
- Staffing and volunteer issues
- Working with Schools and Students
- Working with boards, administrations, staff and community
- Marketing in a changing digital world
- Exhibit design
- Managing collections
- Disaster Planning and Preparedness
- Private/Public Partnerships
- Fundraising

Session proposals should be submitted not later than August 1, 2023

Submit to Todd DeDecker, Program Chair, PO Box 92, Bishop Hill, IL 61419

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Call for Workshops, Sessions, Panels, and Presentations

The Midwest Open Air Museums Coordinating Council seeks proposals for workshops, sessions, and presentations for the 2024 Spring Conference in Bishop Hill IL. Half and full day workshops will be held March 21-23 and sessions on March 22-23. To submit a proposal, please fill out this form attaching additional pages, if necessary. (E-mail is the preferred submission method.) **All presenters must register for the full conference or for the day upon which they present.**

Proposal Deadline: August 1, 2023

Title of Session:

Description: (overview of content, goals, application)

Format (mark one):

Presentation Panel/Roundtable Discussion Performance/Demonstration
 Workshop Other (*please explain*) _____

Length: 75 min session 150 Min. double session 3 hour workshop 6 hour workshop

Workshops Only

Cost Per Person _____ minimum /maximum participants: _____

Indoor or Outdoor: _____ Space Size needed _____

A/V Needs: _____ Will You Be Using a PowerPoint? Y ___ N ___

Special/ Additional Needs:

Session Leader Name and Position:

Affiliation:

Address:

Email Address:

Phone :

Additional Participants: (please provide same information as session leader for each additional participant, attach additional sheets as needed): _____

Contact a Board member or the planning committee if you need assistance in finding suitable presenters.

SUBMIT TO:

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