

to provide insight for future changes and programmatic improvements. Methods will include online surveys and in-depth interviews.

The institutional online survey, expected to require an average of 10 minutes to complete, will consist of 1–3 questions focused on the *Museums for All* program's implications for participating museums, allowing for a broad understanding of the program's institutional participants, their perceptions of the program, and potential future directions. In-depth interviews with 15–18 survey participants, each projected to require 20 minutes to complete, will add depth and clarity of understanding to the online survey. An additional online survey, projected to require 10 minutes to complete, will be conducted with a sampling of adult museum participants in the program to gauge the level of awareness of the program and its influence on their museum experience.

IMLS is particularly interested in comments that help the agency:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques, or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submissions of responses.

*Agency:* Institute of Museum and Library Services.

*Title:* Museum Assessment Program Evaluation.

*OMB Number:* To Be Determined.

*Frequency:* One-time collection anticipated.

*Affected Public:* The target population is museums that have chosen to participate in the *Museums for All* program and their visitors.

*Number of Respondents:* 150 museum staff to respond to institutional survey; 18 museum staff to respond to institutional interview; and 200 museum visitors.

*Estimated Average Burden per Response:* The burden per respondent is estimated to be an average of 10 minutes for the museum survey, 20 minutes for

the in-depth interview, and 10 minutes for the visitor survey.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* 64.33 hours (that is 10 minutes times 350 respondents plus 20 minutes per respondent times 18 interview respondents, equaling 3,860 minutes or 64.33 hours).

*Total Annualized capital/startup costs:* n/a.

*Total Annual costs:* To be determined.

*Public Comments Invited:* Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Stephanie Burwell, Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Institute of Museum and Library Services, 955 L'Enfant Plaza North SW., Suite 4000, Washington, DC 20024–2135. Mrs. Burwell can be reached by Telephone: 202–653–4684, Fax: 202–653–4625, or by email at [sburwell@imls.gov](mailto:sburwell@imls.gov) or by teletype (TTY/TDD) at 202–653–4614. Office hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., E.T., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Dated: January 11, 2017.

**Kim Miller,**

*Grants Management Specialist, Office of Chief Information Officer.*

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**NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES**

**Institute of Museum and Library Services**

**Submission for OMB Review, Comment Request, Proposed Collection: “Museums Empowered: Professional Development and Capacity Building Opportunities for Museums”—A Museums for America Special Initiative**

**AGENCY:** Institute of Museum and Library Services, National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities.

**ACTION:** Submission for OMB Review, Comment Request.

**SUMMARY:** The Institute of Museum and Library Service (“IMLS”) as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance consultation program to provide the general public and federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 et. seq.). This program helps to ensure that

requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed.

A copy of the proposed information collection request can be obtained by contacting the individual listed below in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section below on or before February 17, 2017.

**ADDRESSES:** Stephanie Burwell, Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Institute of Museum and Library Services, 955 L'Enfant Plaza North SW., Suite 4000, Washington, DC 20024–2135. Mrs. Burwell can be reached by Telephone: 202–653–4684, Fax: 202–653–4625, or by email at [sburwell@imls.gov](mailto:sburwell@imls.gov) or by teletype (TTY/TDD) at 202–653–4614. Office hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., E.T., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Institute of Museum and Library Services is the primary source of federal support for the Nation's 123,000 libraries and 35,000 museums. The Institute's mission is to inspire libraries and museums to advance innovation, learning, and civic engagement. The Institute works at the national level and in coordination with state and local organizations to sustain heritage, culture, and knowledge; enhance learning and innovation; and support professional development. IMLS is responsible for identifying national needs for and trends in museum, library, and information services; measuring and reporting on the impact and effectiveness of museum, library and information services throughout the United States, including programs conducted with funds made available by IMLS; identifying, and disseminating information on, the best practices of such programs; and developing plans to improve museum, library, and information services of the United States and strengthen national, State, local, regional, and international communications and cooperative networks (20 U.S.C. 72, 20 U.S.C. 9108).

The purpose of this survey is to administer a special initiative in the Museums for America (MFA) grant program titled “Museums Empowered: Professional Development and Capacity Building Opportunities for Museums”—A Museums for America Special Initiative.

Museums for America (MFA) grants support projects that strengthen the ability of an individual museum to serve its public. This special MFA initiative will provide professional development and capacity building opportunities for eligible museums.

As centers of innovation and discovery, as well as catalysts of community revitalization, museums are at the forefront of change in our communities. Like any other institution, museums need to remain dynamic to respond to fast-evolving technological advances and changing demographics. Museums also need to generate and share outcomes-based data and results of their community impact and develop sustainable organizational structures and strategies for continued growth and vitality. Professional Development is critical for museums to deliver on these areas of need.

To support and empower museums of all sizes and disciplines in responding to the evolving needs and changes, this MFA special initiative has four areas of focus for professional development and capacity building 1. Diversity and Inclusion 2. Digital Technology 3. Evaluation 4. Organizational Management. Potential projects will address one of these four priority areas and help strengthen the capability of an individual museum to better serve its public.

Funded projects may support a wide variety of training opportunities for museum staff at a variety of levels (senior leadership, middle management, front-line staff, interns and volunteers) and in various lines of museum work or a combination of (education and outreach, interpretation, curation, registration, conservation, exhibition design, administration, finance, marketing, public relations, community engagement, visitor services security and other).

OMB is particularly interested in comments that help the agency to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic,

mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g. permitting electronic submissions of responses.

*Current Actions:* This notice proposes clearance of the "Museums Empowered: Professional Development and Capacity Building Opportunities for Museums"—A Museums for America Special Initiative, was published in the **Federal Register** on October 13, 2016 (FR vol. 81, No. 198, pgs. 70707–70708). There were no public comments.

*Agency:* Institute of Museum and Library Services.

*Title:* "Museums Empowered: Professional Development and Capacity Building Opportunities for Museums"—A Museums for America Special Initiative.

*OMB Number:* TBD.

*Agency Number:* 3137.

*Frequency:* One time.

*Affected Public:* Museums that meet the IMLS Museums for America institutional eligibility criteria.

*Number of Respondents:* 100.

*Estimated Time per Respondent:* 40 hours.

*Total Burden Hours:* 4,000.

*Total Annualized cost to respondents:* \$109,600.00.

*Total Annualized capital/startup costs:* 0.

*Total Annualized Cost to Federal Government:* \$13,651.84.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Comments should be sent to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, *Attn.:* OMB Desk Officer for Education, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, (202) 395–7316.

Dated: January 11, 2017.

**Kim A. Miller,**

*Grants Management Specialist, Office of the Chief Financial Officer.*

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**NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD**

**Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests**

**AGENCY:** National Mediation Board.

**SUMMARY:** The Assistant Chief of Staff, Administration invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments within 30 days from the date of this publication.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that

the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Assistant Chief of Staff, Administration publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Record keeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

Currently, the National Mediation Board is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension of the Application for Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Services and is interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the agency; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the agency enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the agency minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: January 11, 2017.

**Samantha Jones,**

*Assistant Chief of Staff, Administration, National Mediation Board.*

**A. Application for ADR Services**

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Title:* Application for ADR Services.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Affected Public:* Union Officials and Officials of Railroads and Airlines.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

*Responses:* Estimate about 45 annually.

*Burden Hours:* 9.

*Abstract:* The Railway Labor Act, 45 U.S.C., 151 a. General Purposes, provides that the purposes of the Act are (1) to avoid any interruption to commerce or to the operation of any carrier engaged therein. \* \* \* (4) to