

## LLHSM Mentors Program 2021

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The Vermont Historical Society's League of Local Historical Societies & Museums (LLHSM) Mentors Program aims to match local historical societies and museums with a museum/cultural heritage professional to tackle a specific issue at their institution via one-on-one assistance. Participating organizations can be matched with a mentor to help with anything from collections management to exhibits to board planning.

#### **How it Works**

Local historical societies and museums are encouraged to identify a critical need, problem, or initiative for which they could use professional input and assistance. After completing the application, organizations will be matched by VHS with a Mentor with the appropriate skills and experience. Mentors and organizations will then work together to determine the best way to tackle the problem. This may include a site visit, virtual visits, or correspondence.

#### **Mentor Details & Requirements**

- The program is open to any historical society or museum in Vermont. A limited number of mentorships are available each year.
- Mentors will be expected to provide 6-8 hours of their time under this agreement. A
  Mentor may choose to provide further assistance to the organization, but it is not
  expected or required.
- Whenever possible, an in-person visit is preferred, but mentorships may be completed virtually or via correspondence. Mentors are responsible for coordinating visits and communications directly with the mentee organization once a match is made.
- A \$375 fee is paid to the Mentor upon completion of the mentorship.
- Mentorships should be concluded no more than 8 months after approval.
- Mentors will be required to complete a short report outlining their recommendations and discussions. Experiences and products from the mentorships may be shared with the LLHSM community via the VHS website or other media.

#### **Questions & Applications to:**

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### APPLICATION TO BE A MENTOR

This application can also be completed & submitted online via <a href="https://vermonthistory.org/mentors">https://vermonthistory.org/mentors</a>

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Date of Submission:	
Name:	
Title/Organization:	
Mailing Address:	
Phone:	
General Areas of Expertise:	
<ul> <li>□ Collections Management</li> <li>□ Exhibits/Public Programs</li> <li>□ Facilities/Historic Preservation</li> <li>□ Fundraising/Development</li> <li>□ Diversity &amp; Inclusion</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ Collections Care/Preservation</li> <li>□ Educational Programs (K-12)</li> <li>□ Administration/Board</li> <li>□ Public Relations/Marketing</li> <li>□ Emergency Management</li> </ul>
Other:	
Brief Description of Your Backgrou as well):	nd and Experience (please attach a resume, CV, or bio

Please Identify Any Limitations to Your Participation as a Mentor (geographic limitations, time of year, types of institutions, etc.)