



March 10, 2008

Dear CAMA Members:

Would you like to receive a stipend to help attend the Museum Association of Arizona (MAA) Annual Conference, April 26-29 in Wickenburg, Arizona?

Put your best foot forward! Better yet, let's put our best Associational feet forward as we stride confidently into the future. Last year they celebrated MAA's quarter century of service to Arizona's museums, and this year's Annual Meeting focuses on what's ahead.

- What's just over the horizon technologically and philosophically?
- What are the ethical issues confronting museums in the 21st century?
- What challenges are presented by changing demographics?
- What's necessary to engage a generation more attuned visually than verbally?

These and other concerns looming around our collective corners are addressed at the Conference through AAM President Ford Bell's keynote address, pre-conference workshops, thoughtful sessions, and in informal chats wherever Conference attendees meet to network—comparing notes and finding that we're not all alone in facing many issues.

Plan right now to join your statewide peers at this very special Conference in historic Wickenburg—keynoted by AAM President Ford Bell, held at the fabulous Rancho de los Caballeros Resort, and hosted by Desert Caballeros Western Museum.

If you are interested in attending the 2008 MAA Conference, CAMA is offering four stipends to help cover the cost of the conference. Each stipend recipient will receive a \$200 reimbursement after supplying receipts of attendance at the conference. Stipend recipients will be responsible for their transportation and any additional expenses.

Enclosed you will find the CAMA Stipend Application instructions, eligibility requirements and the application form. Complete the form and return all application materials to:

**Mitch Menchaca**  
*CAMA President*  
Arizona Commission on the Arts  
417 West Roosevelt  
Phoenix, AZ 85003

**Applications must be postmarked no later than Friday, April 4, 2008, to be eligible.** You will be notified by telephone and/or email about your acceptance for the stipend.

Please don't miss this opportunity to attend the **2008 MAA Annual Conference**. If you have any questions, please call 602-771-6529 or email [mmenchaca@azarts.gov](mailto:mmenchaca@azarts.gov).

Sincerely,

**Mitch Menchaca**  
*President of the Central Arizona Museum Association*  
[www.azcama.com](http://www.azcama.com)



## Application Requirements to Attend the 2008 MAA Annual Conference

The Central Arizona Museum Association (CAMA) is sponsoring four stipends to attend the 2008 Museum Association of Arizona (MAA) Annual Conference. The 2008 conference will be held April 26-29, 2008 in Wickenburg, Arizona.

### APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

Applicants for the four CAMA stipends **must be** first time attendees. Applicants must explain how attending the conference would benefit them. In addition, the applicant must be **one** of the following criteria:

- Working museum professional associated with a CAMA member museum
- Volunteer associated with a CAMA member museum
- Student registered in at least one museum studies or related course

All persons receiving a CAMA Stipend will be required to provide a written report/letter detailing the benefits gained from attending the MAA meeting and receipts verifying attendance before reimbursement is given.

To apply for the CAMA Stipend, please submit the following:

1. Completed application form (attached)
2. Resume
3. Letter of Support
  - Museum professionals should have a letter from their immediate supervisor or the institution's director
  - Volunteers should submit a letter from a museum professional who oversees their work
  - Students should submit a letter from their museum studies or related course professor

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## Application for CAMA Stipend for the 2008 MAA Annual Conference

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Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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*Please answer the following questions. (Do not use more than two pages to complete your responses.)*

1. Have you attended a previous MAA Conference? YES [  ] NO [  ]

2. What do you hope to gain by attending the MAA Conference?

3. How do you hope to use what you learn?

4. Please list professional affiliations, past conference you have attended, activities and awards: