

Do you belong to a professional group that supports collection care activity?
Do you wish to connect with other collection care professionals?

The AIC Collection Care Network is looking for liaisons to expand communication and facilitate cooperation between the many professional groups active in the field. We are looking for collection managers, conservators, facilities administrators, preservation architects, librarians, security officers, registrars, architects, technicians, packers & shippers, exhibition and lighting specialists, curators, and the many other groups active in preservation.

Liaisons are important in establishing communication among the professions; an important first step toward sharing information, identify best practices, and increase visibility for the work we do in preventive care.

We are looking for organizational leaders or knowledgeable individuals to:

- Share news, goals, and concerns between their home organization and the CCN by cross-posting on the organizations listservs and newsletters.
- Keep their home organizations' leadership apprised of CCN activities.
- Identify and participate in projects, publications and conferences shared by the CCN and allied organizations.
- Encourage membership of their home organizations to better understand and address collections care issues.

We are also looking for liaisons to help us with some of the collaborative projects we have begun. Let us know how you can help us develop (and promote) the active initiatives described below:

- *Conservation Standards & Guidelines for Exhibitions Utilizing Museum Collections*
The U.S. Park Service publication has migrated to a Wiki format. It presents the key steps to in planning, developing, and maintaining exhibitions that incorporate the preservation mission. We look to expand it. Some modules are already posted on the AIC Wiki: <http://www.conservation-wiki.com> (direct link <http://www.conservation-wiki.com/ex>), but *AIC CCN seeks to team with allied professionals to lend their expertise to bring the other components to the Wiki.*
- *STASH: Storage Techniques for Art, Science, and History collections*
The Society for the Preservation of Natural History Collections (SPNHC) and AIC CCN with funding by the Kress Foundation have partnered to bring to the web a wide range of storage ideas and solutions. Look for the STASH link on the Conservation OnLine (CoOL) website (www.cool.conservation-us.org) in 2013.
- *Survey of Collection Care Professionals*
A survey was circulated during the summer/fall of 2012 seeking input of collection care professionals. Watch for the analysis. We asked and you answered.

To become a liaison please contact Gretchen Guidess, Outreach Officer, AIC Collection Care Network: [Gretchen\[dot\]guidess\[at\]gmail\[dot\]com](mailto:Gretchen[dot]guidess[at]gmail[dot]com). If you wish to become a project liaison, explain your interest and describe any pertinent expertise that you can bring to the project. We look forward to hearing from you!