Thriving museums require strong leaders, and MMA is committed to helping build the community of leaders for Michigan's museums.

In 2021, MMA offered a year-long leadership series of monthly online programs to build skills and increase knowledge for participants. Program content alternated between how participants show up as leaders and understanding how diversity, equity, access, and inclusion contribute to successful leadership. Led by AG Collaborative and Nonprofit Network, 35 participants delved into difficult topics once a month and helped each other get the most out of the experience.

"My experience with the Leadership Series in 2021 was personally and professionally wonderful. I enjoyed being able to have a consistent time and (virtual) location to discuss challenging topics among peers. The segment where we identified our personal values has been especially gratifying and allowed for a refreshed approach to the work I do in marketing."

Matthew Bizoe
Marketing Manager
Krasl Art Center
2021 Leadership Series Participant
2021 FINANCES

FY 2021 INCOME: $124,245

FY 2021 EXPENSE: $99,432

Membership 27.3%
Grants 41%
Registration 17.4%
Donations 2.5%
COVID Relief/Other 11.9%
Salaries 51.5%
Programs 47.3%
Administrative 1.2%

$40,000 SERVICES TO THE FIELD GRANT

$33,900 MEMBERSHIP REVENUE

$2,960 SCHOLARSHIP DONATIONS $72/Person Average

2021 VOLUNTEERS

Special Projects
Jill Eastcott
Loren Harvey, Holland Museum
Maggie Marconi

Programs Team
Louise Stewart Beck, Consultant
Joe Cialdella, University of Michigan
Rhiannon Cizon, Berrien County Historical Association
Jill Eastcott
Regina Gorham, Kalamazoo Valley Museum
Felicia Konrad-Bevin, Edsel and Eleanor Ford House
Stephanie Lucas, The Henry Ford
Melanie Parker, Detroit Institute of Arts
Ashley Ross, Michigan Humanities

Events Team
Katie Bancroft, Sloan*Longway
Veronica Campbell, Port Huron Museum
Jill Eastcott
Adam Johnson, Sindecuse Museum of Dentistry
Christy Kincaid, Air Zoo
Stephanie Lucas, The Henry Ford
Ashley Ross, Michigan Humanities

Virtual Conference
Louise Stewart Beck, Consultant
Nathan Kehler, GVSU Art Galleries
Melanie Parker, Detroit Institute of Arts
Shannon Pinkster, Historic Charlton Park
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A MESSAGE FROM THE MMA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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- Top Row (L-R): Sanam Arab, Secretary, U of M-LSA Technology Services; Lisa Plank, Treasurer, Lowell Area Historical Museum; Caitlyn Perry Dial, Vice President, MSU Libraries; Jason Dake, President, Dennos Museum Center
- 2nd Row: Melanie Parker, Ilitch Holdings; Nathan Kemler, GVSU Art Gallery; Emily Lancot, NMU DeVos Art Museum; George Bayard, Grand Rapids African American Museum and Archives
- 3rd Row: Christina Hirn Arseneau, Niles History Center; Patrick McKay, Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm; Megan McAdow, Marshall Fredericks Sculpture Museum; Ann Rock, NonProfit Development Solutions
- Last Row: Ken Yarsevich, Michigan Economic Development Council/Travel Michigan; Michelle McClellan, Bentley Historical Library; Dominick Miller, Mackinac State Historic Parks
Mission:

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Vision:

Thriving Museums. Vibrant Communities.

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