THE NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

Institute of Museum and Library Services

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests: Museums for All

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

ACTION: Notice, request for comments, collection of information.

SUMMARY: The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance 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. This pre-clearance consultation 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. The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments concerning an information collection from museums participating in the Museums for All program. 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 addressee section below on or before November 13, 2020.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to Connie Bodner, Ph.D., Director of Grants Policy and Management, Office of Grants Policy and Management, Institute of Museum and Library Services, 955 L’Enfant Plaza North, SW, Suite 4000, Washington, DC 20024-2135. Dr. Bodner
can be reached by Telephone: 202–653–4636 or by email at cbodner@imls.gov, or by teletype (TTY/TDD) for persons with hearing difficulty at 202–653–4614. Office hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., E.T., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Christopher J. Reich, Chief Administrator, Office of Museum Services, Institute of Museum and Library Services, 955 L’Enfant Plaza North, SW, Suite 4000, Washington DC 20024-2135. Mr. Reich can be reached by Telephone: 202-653-4685, or by email at creich@imls.gov, or by teletype (TTY/TDD) for persons with hearing difficulty at 202-653-4614.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** IMLS is particularly interested in public comment 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.

**I. Background**

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libraries, and related organizations through grant making, research, and policy development. Our vision is a nation where museums and libraries work together to transform the lives of individuals and communities. To learn more, visit www.imls.gov.

II. Current Actions

The purpose of this collection is to support a program to increase access to museums for underserved audiences through Museums for All, a voluntary program inviting museums to allow Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) card holders to receive reduced-price admission to their facilities. This information collection will obtain data from participating museums needed to administer the program, such as institution contact information and a staff person to administer the program. Additional information will be collected on a quarterly basis to assess implementation of the program components, the efficacy of program materials, and the impact of the program.


Title: Museums for All.

OMB Control Number: 3137-0089.

Agency Number: 3137.

Affected Public: Museums.

Total Estimated Number of Respondents: 125.

Frequency of Response: Once per request.

Average Minutes per Response: 1 hour.

Total Burden Hours: 125 hours.

Cost Burden (dollars): $2,703
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.

Dated: September 15, 2020

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