



**We believe this is important work.**

Knowledge and appreciation of the past teaches us all important lessons, and among young people helps create good citizens who are connected to their communities, state, and world.

In this geologically and historically diverse state, it is our shared history and culture that unite all Idahoans.

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invites you to discover Idaho's diverse world of history, culture, and natural science, from A as in arrowheads at the Appaloosa Museum to Z as in zebras in the Boise Zoo.

Wherever you live in Idaho, there are museums, interpretive centers, and heritage sites, many as close as your own neighborhood. These organizations have abundant resources with exhibits, activities, and events for everyone. In fact, Idaho has over 150 local, regional, and state museums, historical societies, art galleries, interpretive centers, three zoos, and the World Center for Birds of Prey.



**These organizations have one thing in common.** They are all working hard to collect and care for hundreds of thousands of artifacts, photos,



documents, letters, diaries, scientific specimens, materials, and even living animals. They are preserving buildings of historical and architectural importance like the McConnell Mansion in Moscow and the Cyrus Jacobs-Uberuaga House at the Basque Museum in Boise. They manage cultural sites like the Oregon Trail at Three Island Crossing along the Snake River. They tell you the stories of Idaho's history through exhibits, programs, and tours through some of our most spectacular and unique geography. And they inspire you with the beauty and imagination of artists from Idaho and around the world.



**All this work is done for you and future generations** by devoted and

hardworking staff and volunteers, your neighbors and friends.

**The Idaho Association of Museums** is a partner in these efforts. The IAM was formed in 1977 as a non-profit, educational organization with the mission of helping our state's museums. Most are maintained solely by local volunteers and operate on modest budgets of a few thousand dollars a year. Through the years the IAM has provided technical support through workshops, annual conferences, and grants. It has been a successful advocate in the state legislature and publishes a guide to Idaho museums. As a statewide organization of over 70 members, the IAM represents institutions and museums in all regions of the state. And just as important, the IAM is dedicated to maintaining a strong network throughout Idaho through newsletters, annual meetings, workshops, and personal contact.



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