

NOPC Kick-off Forum Summary



On Tuesday June 5, 2018 we launched the New Orleans Preservation Coalition and Alliance for Response. For those that were able to attend, we thank you for joining us, for your engagement, for your interest in sharing, and for your interest in learning. It was a special day, full of information, connections, and enthusiasm. We are excited to take that enthusiasm and carry it forward to build a culture of preparedness that includes first responders, municipal emergency managers, cultural stewards from libraries, archives, and museums, and the rich, local, diverse arts and performing arts community of New Orleans.

We would like to extend a special thank you again to all the first responders that attended the event. According to our post-event evaluations, the discussions during our break out session, which focused on first responders and cultural heritage organizations, was a big hit. We appreciate the time you spent with us

Below you can see photos from the event:

- Keynote speaker, Ryan Mast, Hazard Mitigation Administrator at NOHSEP, delivers a motivational speech about preparedness and the cultural heritage community
- Presenters from local cultural heritage and community groups as well as collections stewards speak about immediate post-Katrina response in the cultural sector.
- First responders and attendees engage in discussion about preparedness during our breakout session
- [Operation BBQ Relief](#) graciously provided lunch for the event!

What's next? The NOPC will continue to offer programming that keeps the information flowing and the conversations going. At the same time we aim to formalize the NOPC organizational structure and to create a robust and organized response network through the Alliance for Response. We hope you can become a member and get involved!

Full Agenda

**New Orleans Preservation Coalition and Alliance for Response Kick-off Forum
George and Joyce Wein Jazz and Heritage Center
New Orleans, LA
June 5, 2018**

- 8:30 Registration
- 9:00-9:15 **Welcoming Remarks and Introductions**
Jennifer Waxman, Archives Manager, National WWII Museum
- 9:15-9:30 **Alliance for Response: History and Purpose**
Jessica Unger, Emergency Programs Coordinator, Foundation for the American Institute for Conservation of Historic and Artistic Works
- 9:30-10:00 **Keynote Address**
Ryan Mast, Director, Office of Resilience & Sustainability, City of New Orleans
- 10:00-10:15 Break
- 10:15-11:15 **Katrina, Culture, and Recovery**
Lee Leumas, Archivist, Archdiocese of New Orleans (chair)
Irene Wainwright, Archivist (retired), Louisiana Division/City Archives, NOPL
Wayne Everard, Archivist (retired), Louisiana Division/City Archives, NOPL
Givonna Joseph, Louisiana Philharmonic Orchestra (formerly), OperaCréole
Bob Snead, Executive Director, Antenna Gallery
- 11:15-12:00 **Disaster Response and Recovery on the State and Federal Level**
Tanya Gulliver-Garcia, Associate Director of Programs and Planning, Foundation for Louisiana (chair)
Lori Foley, Heritage Emergency National Task Force, FEMA, DHS
Allison Hadley, Recovery Operations Manager, GOHSEP
Ellen Ibert, Senior Problem Resolution Officer for Environmental & Historic Preservation Concerns, GOHSEP
- 12:00-1:15 Lunch with Operation BBQ Relief
- 1:15-1:45 **Group Discussion and Break Out Session: Preparedness and Recovery**
Chris Harter, Director, Amistad Research Center (chair)
Small group discussion (15 mins)
Whole group discussion (15 mins)
- 1:45-2:00 Break
- 2:00-2:45 **Local Support and Funding Sources, Then and Now**

Jennifer Waxman, Archives Manager, National WWII Museum (chair)
Shantrell Austin, Director of Strategic Initiatives, Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities
Brenda Gunn, Associate University Librarian for Archives and Special Collections,
co-founder SAA National Disaster Recovery Fund for Archives
Carol Bebel, Co-Founder and Executive Director, Ashé Cultural Arts Center

2:45-3:30 **Regional Alliance for Response networks: TX-CERA**
Steve Pine, Texas Cultural Emergency Response Alliance

3:30 – 4:00 **Debrief and wrap up**
Tom Claeson, Senior Consultant for Digital & Preservation Services, Project Director,
Performing Arts Readiness project, LYRASIS





