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74 Museums Selected to Participate in Collections Assessment for Preservation Program

Washington, D.C. – The Foundation of the American Institute for Conservation of Historic and Artistic Works (FAIC) and the Institute of Museum and Library Services have announced the 74 institutions from across the country that have been selected to participate in the inaugural year of the <u>Collections</u> Assessment for Preservation (CAP) program.

CAP assists small and mid-sized museums in improving the care of their collections by providing support for a conservation assessment of the museum's collections and buildings. A team of two preservation professionals will spend two days at each site before preparing a comprehensive report that will identify preventive conservation priorities. The assessment report will help the museum prioritize its collections care efforts in the coming years.

Participants for the 2017 program year represent 29 states and include art museums, botanical gardens, historic homes, historic sites, natural history museums, and other types of museums. A complete list of program participants can be found on <u>FAIC's CAP web page</u>.

The CAP program is administered by FAIC through a cooperative agreement with the Institute of Museum and Library Services, a federal grant making agency that supports museums and libraries.

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About FAIC

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