MUSEUM LONDON

BOARD POLICY

EXHIBITIONS

Preamble

Exhibitions are the main attraction for most visitors to Museum London. This statement is supported both by our vision, “Where our community discovers exceptional art, rich history, and new possibilities” and our mission, “We inspire and educate our community by preserving and sharing our art and history.”

In keeping with Museum London’s mandate “to collect, preserve, exhibit and interpret works of art and material culture of the region and nation,” the purpose of the exhibition program is to involve visitors in the process of discovery, to spark curiosity, to inform, to provoke thought, to stimulate imagination, and to heighten appreciation of art and history.

Policy

Museum London will:

- Stage in-house and loaned exhibitions consistent with its mandate, vision, mission, and strategic imperatives as approved by the Board. The exhibitions shall follow best practices for museum installation and meet the necessary safety and conservation requirements for art, artifacts, and exhibition design and materials.

- Implement professionally researched, thought-provoking, and diverse exhibition programming that reflects both the history of London and region and the arts in London, the region and nation.

- Build an appreciation for the achievement of regional artists, curators, historians, writers and other cultural producers, and provide a broader context for these initiatives by enhancing local dialogue on art and history as the recipient of touring exhibitions.

- Museum London’s permanent collection will be a continuous element in the exhibition schedule, spotlighting art and artifacts to generate visitor appreciation of the museum as a cultural resource.

Engagement

- Create exhibitions with an emphasis on projects of regional, and national significance that are relevant to local communities.

- Make the collections and collection-based research accessible to visitors by featuring ideas and objects for their social, aesthetic, and historical interest, and by implementing innovative
interpretation strategies to enhance the exhibition experience and reach more diverse audiences.

Criteria of Excellence

- Museum London is committed to assessing its exhibition program qualitatively and quantitatively, and to supporting and improving the performance of Museum London personnel who deliver the exhibition programs.

Planning

- Develop and maintain an exhibitions program in keeping with the Museum London’s values of “welcoming the community, engaging with the public and each other, celebrating our accomplishments;” “valuing diversity, encouraging shared leadership and authentic communication;” and “sharing and supporting dynamic presentations and education with the community and each other.”

Last Revised Date: 30 September 2020

MONITORING:

Adherence

The Executive Director will report to the Board on any areas of non-adherence within a timely manner.

Policy Review

Method: Internal Report

Responsibility: Policy Committee

Minimum Frequency: Three Years