

INTERNATIONAL NETWORK OF MUSEUMS FOR PEACE

COORDINATORS' BULLETIN

Happy New Year to all INMP members and supporters!



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN INMP?

The International Network of Museums for Peace brings together museums and related organizations working for peace, together with their supporters, in a network for learning, encouragement, promotion and mutual support. We welcome new members to join the Network, to share your stories and to help us grow in spreading the news of how museums for peace contribute to the much-needed peace of our world.

The three of us who are privileged to be Coordinators of INMP - Junko Kanekiyo from Kyoto, Mona Badamchizadeh from Tehran, and Clive Barrett from Bradford - meet together almost every week. We work with members serving on INMP's Executive Board and Advisory Committee to try to help INMP provide the best possible support for our museums.

We have several working groups. Here is a taste of what they are doing.



Outward-looking work includes:

- A new state-of-the-art INMP website is close to being ready. It will be going "live" soon. We'll let you know when it is online, so you can help spread the word about INMP. When it's operational, we will need someone to help with some of the "behind the screen" aspects of the website; please let us know if you are interested in this.
- INMP recently held a super webinar aimed at recent and potential members. More webinars are in the pipeline for 2025.
- A publications group is working on possibilities for a new INMP book. If you would like to write a chapter, send us a 400-word outline proposal by 15 February.
- There will be a full newsletter published around late April; watch out for a call for contributions, soon. We would love to hear the latest news from your museum. We will need some copy-editing help from one or two native English speakers about 10 hours work. Please let us know if you would like to help with this.
- Preparations are under way for the 2026 INMP conference, to be held in August in Winnipeg, Canada, hosted by the Canadian Museum for Human Rights. It promises to be amazing! More details soon.



- There is an INMP activities group, working on a super Peace Heritage project, showcasing the tangible and intangible heritage of several member museums, shedding light on the definition of peace heritage.
- One INMP group supports people trying to set up new museums for peace. We have recently welcomed a new member museum from Canada, and we have had enquiries from Italy and Egypt.

ESSENTIAL INTERNAL WORK INCLUDES:

- Membership, making sure everyone gets the full benefits of membership, with new certificates, and mentor support for new members. We need more mentors; please let us know if you would like to support new members in this way.
- Finance, looking at ways INMP could access funding in different continents. If you have any ideas about funding INMP and the way we help museums for peace to learn from each other, and to support each other, please let us know.



KEEP UP TO DATE

To find out more about what INMP people are doing, and to hear a mid-term report from the Coordinators, all members are invited to an open meeting of the Executive Board and Advisory Committee, to be held online on April 8 at 1pm UTC. Watch out for news of the link and how to get involved.

You can keep up to date with what INMP members are doing through the Museums4PeaceForum, a news, announcements, and discussion tool for information about museums for peace and other cultural and educational organizations, projects, and research endeavors related to peace-making and peacebuilding. See groups.google.com/g/museums4peaceforum to join the forum and to read or post announcements or articles. The Museums4PeaceForum is a free public service available with automated Google translation service in multiple languages.



FOR EXAMPLE.

- One INMP member, the Peace Research Center in Wilmington, Ohio, US, is holding a 50th anniversary conference, September 29 October 1. https://www.wilmington.edu/prc
- And a member linked to Dayton Peace Museum has just told us about Rotary Peace Fellowships 130 fully-funded places at top universities around the world. Details at https://www.rotary.org/en/our-programs/peace-fellowships. It would be great to have museum people apply, to increase the number of museums for peace specialists. Applications by May 15.

YOUR SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE DUE SOON!

We have sorted out the INMP bank account. We will soon - in April - ask everyone, please, museums and individuals, to pay your subscription for 2025. The amount and the link will be published on the new website.



If you wish to donate to the INMP then you can pay the INMP Yucho account (only for Japanese members), or INMP Paypal.me account

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Please put in your donation payment amount in Yen.

Thank you for your contribution. Your contribution is important to all of us who are members. As a Network, together, we can help museums for peace make a real difference to our world.



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