



Riverside Metropolitan Museum Board Presentation

City Council
March 28, 2017

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MUSEUM ATTENDANCE

Museum Site	General Attendance July - December 2015	General Attendance July - December 2016
Main Museum	11,430	15,723
Heritage House	578	693
Ameal Moore Nature Center at Sycamore Canyon Wilderness Park	1,504	Unknown



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REACCREDITATION

Two core questions guide every accreditation review:

1. How well does the museum achieve its stated mission and goals?
2. How well does the museum's performance meet standards and best practices as they are generally understood in the museum field, as appropriate to its circumstances?



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RIVERSIDE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM REACCREDITATION

April 2002 – Most recent reaccreditation

March 2016 - Museum submitted reaccreditation self-study to AAM

July 2016 – AAM Reaccreditation site visit

November 2016 – Museum reaccreditation decision was tabled until February 2018, pending progress reports



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REACCREDITATION ISSUES

1. Harada House

- a. "This house is a national treasure and could be RMM's and Riverside's national claim to fame."
- b. "...the Harada House has been in a state of decay since being acquired over a decade ago...there are significant hurdles to preserving this National Historic Landmark."

- From AAM Accreditation Site Visit Report Form



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2. Collections Storage – “The storage conditions in the basement of the main museum remain substandard, despite this having been identified as an issue in the last reaccreditation review...”

-AAM Reaccreditation Decision Letter, 2016



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3. Basketry Collection

- a. “It provides an opportunity for exhibit and programming excellence that does not appear to have been fully exploited.”
- b. “The Museum’s planning does not adequately acknowledge the importance of this resource relative to other collections.”

-AAM Reaccreditation Decision Letter, 2016



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GOALS

1. Re-Accreditation
2. Inventory
3. Recruit Museum Director



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