The Louisiana Association of Museums Constitution

Article I: Name

Section 1. The name of the organization shall be the Louisiana Association of Museums.

Section 2. For the purpose of this Association, a museum, as defined by The International Council of Museums, is a non-profit, permanent institution in the service of society and its development, open to the public, which acquires, conserves, researches, communicates and exhibits the tangible and intangible heritage of humanity and its environment for the purposes of education, study and enjoyment.

Article II: Purpose

The purpose of the Association is to foster a robust professional museum community in the State of Louisiana that is dedicated to education, cultural and recreational opportunities for all Louisianans, researchers and visitors to the state.

Article III: Membership

Membership of individuals and organizations shall be of such classes and such dues rates as shall be establish in the bylaws.

Article IV: Management and Government

- **Section 1.** The management and government of the affairs of the Association shall be vested in a Council.
- **Section 2.** The Council shall be composed of the following members of the Association:
 - A. Officers of the Association as defined in the bylaws.
 - B. Members-at-Large as defined in the bylaws.
 - C. The immediate past-president of the Association.
- Each year at the annual meeting, the Council shall report to the Associations membership concerning past actions and future plans, the Association's financial status, and other matters related to the business of the Association. This report is to be filed electronically by the Secretary to the membership at least thirty (30) days before the annual meeting.

Article V: Meetings

- Section 1. There shall be at least one general meeting and one business meeting of the Association each calendar year. General meetings and business meetings may be held in conjunction with one another.
- **Section 2.** The time, place, and nature of all meetings of the Association shall be at the discretion of the Council.
- **Section. 3.** Special Council meetings may be called as defined in the bylaws.