

Old Stuff and Young People

Call for proposals

Increasingly, museums, archives and special collections are moving beyond providing services to schools to developing programmes to engage more with students and young people. This includes a wide range of activities from supporting research and teaching to volunteer programmes, social events and the co-production of exhibitions and public events. While engaging with post-school age audiences has become a particular focus for university collections, it is also of growing importance to many other museums and archive services.

This conference is being organised by *UMIS: University Museums in Scotland* and *SUSCAG: Scottish Universities Special Collections and Archives Group*. We hope to draw together people who have developed effective and sustainable initiatives and so help to develop models of best practice for governance, management, partnership and delivery.

The conference will be held in the University of Aberdeen, 26-27 January 2017.

Proposals for contributions are invited from museum staff, archivists, librarians, researchers and students. We are particularly looking for examples that go beyond traditional ways of working with students and also examples of working with students and young people from outwith host institutions. Proposals should be in the form of a 100 word abstract and should specify whether they are for a short contribution (up to 20 minutes), group panel (1 hour) or a poster. Proposals should be received by 1 September 2016.

Please send abstracts to Neil Curtis, UMIS Convenor - neil.curtis@abdn.ac.uk