

**LOUISIANA STATE MUSEUM COLLECTIONS COMMITTEE  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
Tuesday, May 6, 2025 – 10:00 AM, CT  
Green Room, Old U.S. Mint**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Members Present:** Florence Jumonville (Chair), Tiffany Adler, Mary Coulon, Courtney Kiel LeBlanc,  
Suzanne Perlis.

**Members Absent:** Wendy Lodrig, (ex officio).

**Additional Board Members:** No visiting Board members were present.

**Advisors Present:** Tamra Carboni.

**Advisors Absent:** Anne Redd, Ann Williams.

**LSM Staff Present:** Patrick Burns, Erin Patterson, Sarah-Elizabeth Gundlach, David Kunian, Claudia Kheel,  
Tom Strider (recording).

**Guests:** No guests were present.

**A quorum was present.**

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**Call to Order**

Florence Jumonville called the meeting to order at 10:10 am.

**Collections Committee Action Items**

**Minutes from the meeting on January 16, 2025**

A motion was made by Mary Coulon to approve the minutes.  
Seconded by Courtney Kiel LeBlanc, a vote to approve was unanimous.

**Proposed Acquisitions**

**Gifts for the Permanent Collection:**

A single collection item, a portrait of the Black Methodist preacher Harry Hosier, was presented by Tom Strider. The picture was left at the offices of the Louisiana Museum Foundation prior to 2001. Strider recommended that LSM take ownership in order to safeguard the picture.

The Committee recommended that more research be done to identify the artist and to investigate how it came into the hands of the LMF. Value to the museum's collection should be better demonstrated before acquisition. Courtney Kiel LeBlanc offered to look for additional information.

### **Proposed Deaccession of Objects from Permanent Collection**

56 objects from Visual Arts and Music were determined to be unrelated to the museum's mission or were duplicates. David Kunian presented 10 radio transcription discs and recommended them for sale at auction. Claudia Kheel shared 46 items that included a copy of a painting by Guido Reni, stereographs, prints, postcards, and painting reproductions. She noted that several of the objects had X and T numbers, indicating that they had been found in collections, had been advertised to follow Collections Manual requirements for deaccession.

A motion to approve the items was made by Suzanne Perlis.

Seconded by Tiffany Adler, the Committee recommended the deaccessions be sent to the Board for approval.

### **Outgoing Loan Extension**

Notification

4 Loan Extensions of 31 objects were approved by the Committee at the last meeting on March 11.

1 item was inadvertently not included in the list for OL01.2019.

[M138.2 a-b] a Pair of Epaulettes, belonging to Ignacio de Balderas, 1790-1820 are a part of that loan.

### **Incoming Loans**

Members were notified of 8 incoming loans for Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame's 2025 *New Inductees* (Natchitoches), 2 for *Bienvenu à Général Lafayette* (Cabildo), and 1 (37 photographs) from the photographer Richard Corman for *What a Wonderful World* (Jazz Museum, Mint).

### **Incoming Loan Extensions**

3 loan extensions for the permanent displays at Capitol Park Museum. Lenders include National Park Service - Southeast Archaeological Center (Tallahassee, FL), Louisiana Shrimp and Petroleum Festival (Morgan City, Louisiana), and Sandra Gourrier (Baton Rouge, LA) were discussed.

### **Old Business**

Florence Jumonville introduced a proposal to raise the dollar amount for conservation treatment that Museum Director can approve before receiving the recommendation of the Collections Committee and approval from the Board of Directors, from \$1,000 to \$3,500 per item.

A motion to approve the change was made by Suzanne Perlis.

Courtney Kiel LeBlanc seconded the motion.

The Committee recommended the change to be sent to the Board for approval.

**New Business**

The Museum Director shared a link to pending legislation and provided a summary prepared by CRT General Counsel with the full board on April 15<sup>th</sup>. The committee discussed Senate Bill 210 which is included in the proposed legislation. Members addressed the need for clarification on the role of the Committee and the Board. Questions were also raised about term limits for Board members.

**Adjournment**

Florence Jumonville adjourned the meeting at 11:10 am.