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MAC in Madison 2022

Celebrating its 50th anniversary and first in-person meeting in three years, the Midwest Archives Conference will hold its 2022 Annual Meeting May 5–7 at the Madison Concourse Hotel and Governor's Club in Madison, Wisconsin. The city of Madison is located on ancestral Ho-Chunk land, a place their nation has called Teejop (day-JOPE) since time immemorial. The hotel is within walking distance of numerous attractions, including the Wisconsin State Capitol, the Madison Children's Museum, and many local restaurants, and an easy bike, drive, or bus ride away from many other venues. The meeting's Local Arrangements Committee, Program Committee, and Education Committee will be presenting conference attendees with an exciting slate of programs, sessions, workshops, and tours, all crafted to entice you to visit Madison. The Local Arrangements Committee is working hard to secure several tours that you won't want to miss. Tentative tours include the Wisconsin Veterans Museum, Wisconsin State Archives Preservation Facility (SAPF), a First Nations Cultural Landscape walking tour of the UW–Madison campus, and much more. The opening reception at the Wisconsin Historical Society will offer highlights from its renowned North American History collections. The Program Committee is excited to announce that 21 proposals have been accepted to present at the 2022 conference. Sessions address the conference theme “Moving Archives Forward” by exploring professional, environmental, societal, and cultural factors that affect the way we move forward, the way we see trends, and the way we identify challenges and opportunities. A variety of topics will be covered, such as oral history, digital preservation, processing and MPLP, instruction and outreach, business archiving, lone arrangers, project management, and DEI in the archival profession. Based on feedback from previous conferences, sessions will vary in length between 45, 60, and 90 minutes. Masks will be required during all sessions. Calls for pop-up sessions (to be voted on by MAC members) and posters will be announced in the coming months. And, for the first time, MAC is offering a hybrid option for the annual conference, including virtual access to the plenary, Members' Meeting, and selected sessions. More details on the Annual Meeting will be forthcoming in the next *MAC Newsletter* and on the MAC website. In the meantime, feel free to check out the Destination Madison website at <https://www.visitmadison.com> for more details about visiting Madison, Wisconsin.

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