

UMAC

University Museums and Collections



UMAC (the International Committee for University Museums And Collections) is one of the specialised committees of ICOM (International Council Of Museums).

UMAC was founded in 2001 to help preserve and provide access to this significant part of national and international heritage with its many unique and unusual collections

UMAC's functions include:

- **exchange of ideas** among all those working in, or associated with, academic museums, galleries and collections (including herbaria and botanical gardens)
- **provision of a forum** to identify partnership opportunities, share the resources in collections, knowledge and experience, and to enhance access to the collections
- **communication** with its members throughout the year, including one conference
- **formulation of policies** to assist curators, management and other stakeholders and, when requested, advice to university management, ICOM and other professional bodies on matters within its jurisdiction
- **promotion** of university museums and collections within governments and their agencies, institutes of learning, the broad museum sector, the professions, business and the population generally
- **encouragement** of mentorship and career development, including staff exchanges.

UMAC's database:

May be freely explored – and you can add or update details of your own - just go to website and click on: Database / Search / Enter Data

Joining UMAC:

To participate fully in UMAC's activities it is necessary to join ICOM. You can find out more about ICOM, including the address of your National Committee, at: <http://www.icom.museum> and the membership form is available at: http://icom.museum/member_form.html (Please indicate that you would like to be a voting member of UMAC.) The cost varies according to the country you live in but is around 50 Euros or 70 US\$.

Urgent advice:

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