

CITY OF ASHLAND



Application for Economic Development, Cultural, Tourism and Sustainability Grants

*****DUE NO LATER THAN 4:00 pm March 22, 2017*****

**One (1) single sided, signed hard copy to
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In an envelope titled:

City of Ashland

Attn: Diana Shiplet, Administration Department

Grant Application

20 East Main Street, Ashland, OR 97520

Applicant/Organization	ScienceWorks Hands-On Museum		
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Federal Tax ID	██████████	IRS Class (Exemption)	501(c) 3
		Total Grant Request (\$5,000 min)	\$45,000

Application Submittal Checklist

In addition to the completed application form to be mailed and emailed, all submittals must contain the following;

1. List of all board members, their occupations, and years on the board;
2. Organizational client demographic profile;
3. Grant program budget (for activities/programs/events that are part of this grant application);
4. Organization 501© letter verifying your no-profit status;
5. Organization corporate bylaws;
6. Organization's most recent Form 990 IRS filing (summary page only);
7. Organization's previous year financial statement summarizing expenses and revenues.

Application for Economic Development, Cultural, Tourism and Sustainability Grants

1. Briefly describe the purpose and objectives of your organization and mission statement (*please limit to approximately 500 words*)

Science *is* culture. In the last decade, science has transformed the social, political, economic, aesthetic, and intellectual landscape. It is reshaping our understanding of who we are and where we come from and modernizing our system of values—how we regard our planet and one another. Other forces undeniably affect the state of the world—faith, democracy, and free markets among them. But science is the overwhelming and universal agent of change. Today, science affects every single person on the planet.

ScienceWorks Hands-On Museum is southern Oregon’s regional science center. ScienceWorks is open to the public 225 days a year. Including school groups, we are open 303 days per year. For the past 14 years, the Museum has fulfilled its mission to inspire wonder and stimulate creative exploration through fun, interactive science and the arts. We accomplish our mission by offering:

- Over 100 permanent interactive science exhibits in our 26,000 square-foot building,
- Temporary exhibitions brought in by other museums,
- Quarterly science-themed weekends, “ScienceLive!” demonstrations every weekend, hands-on activities every weekend,
- Field trip program that serves 10,000 students in schools in nine counties in southern Oregon and northern California,
- Inquiry-based science education programs in the classroom for local schools,
- Professional development in scientific, inquiry-based methodology for regional educators,
- Public events and lectures that bring science and the arts to our community and to visitors, and
- The design and creation of traveling exhibits that tour the entire country.

This year, our big news is our new Executive Director. Ann Dowdy has spent 18 years in the museum field including 14 years work for the Museum of Science & Industry (MOSI) in Tampa, Florida. At MOSI, Ann was Senior Vice President, the number two position in a museum that has served 15 million guests. Ann joined ScienceWorks in November of 2016.

2. Reference the list of eligible activities provided in the 2012 Policy for Economic, Cultural, Tourism, and Sustainability Grant (page 10) to briefly describe how the City grant would be used and how your activities meet the eligibility criteria (*please limit to approximately 1,000 words*)

Cultural Development:

ScienceWorks increases the “cultural opportunities in Ashland for citizens and visitors...and enriches the overall quality of life in the community.” We do this primarily through our exhibits, our public programs, our school programs, fundraising events, camps, and community collaborations.

Exhibits:

When ScienceWorks was opening, a consultant told us we would need \$3 million to fill our space with exhibits. With a skilled team in our shop, and a large group of volunteers working in their garages, we built our exhibits for \$350,000.

In the past five years, ScienceWorks has increased its exhibit space by 50%. We now host over 100 interactive science exhibits in 15,550 square feet that are entertaining and educational for all ages. When the budget allows, we bring in travelling exhibits from other museums, such as the thrilling animatronic dinosaurs. We have three travelling exhibits of our own, Sportsology, Noise, and Take Flight. These exhibits take turns on our exhibit floor and tour the whole country, bringing our brand to large audiences. This year, our Exhibits Committee is focused on creating our next large travelling exhibit. This process includes ideation, funding, design, prototyping and construction.

Public Programs:

Our public programs focus on creating amazing visitor experiences. These includes programming in the Museum ranging from facilitated activities, to science demonstrations and planetarium shows in our theater, to adult programming such as our Tap House Talks series, to themed weekend events. Public programs and activities take place at ScienceWorks every weekend. Our Tap House talks are held once a month. Themed weekends are offered every quarter. This weekend's theme is "Launch To Space". Our upcoming Tap House talk is "Science Verses Young Earth Creationism in the Grand Canyon".

Over the past year we've worked hard to tie in our programming with the rest of the Museum. During the winter when our Exhibits Department put out a Toy Science exhibit, we ran programs like toy take-apart and cardboard arcade, to give a cohesive experience to guests going between interacting with exhibits and facilitated activities. As we wrapped up our summer series of DIY Bio activities, we brought in Tap House Talk speakers to talk about big game rehabilitation in Africa.

In addition to being consistent within the Museum, we collaborate with other community institutions as much as possible. Last spring we did a unit of programs themed around the science of the moving image to coincide with the Ashland Independent Film Festival; this season culminated in a day of stop-motion, scratch animation, and green screen play, all while the Festival was screening films in our theater. In choosing themes and designing events, we look beyond our immediate community as well, to incorporate trends that are happening in the world at large. When Pokémon Go! Became a phenomenon, we hosted a day-long event exploring the science behind different Pokémon types (such as fire, grass, ice, etc.). We are also planning a series of environmental science activities ranging from electronic take-apart and up-cycling to building a collaborative insect hotel.

Our goal as we design programs and activities is to help inquiring minds of all ages see themselves as people capable of understanding and affecting the world around them. We believe the best way to do this is through hands-on activities and events that engage visitors in accessible ways with what is happening in the Museum, the community, and the world at large.

School Programs:

Serving school children with engaging, educational science is at the heart of our mission. Our school programs began even before we opened ScienceWorks. Now we serve 10,000 students per year, in nine counties and 30 school districts. We have adopted best practices in education including alignment with the Next Generation Science Standards adopted by Oregon in 2014. Hands-on inquiry-based science labs, activities, and exhibits are consistently identified as having the greatest measurable impact on student learning and interest in science. The need for science education in our region is highlighted by the disturbing statistic that Oregon ranks 50th in the country in hours spent on science in the classroom.

We offer three types of programming with the schools:

- 1) The Field Trip Program is a hands-on, inquiry-based science learning experience that provides teachers and students an opportunity to delve deeply into science learning, exploring physics, chemistry, biology, earth science, and engineering. The Field Trip Program inspires students' interest in science, is aligned with State Science Standards, and encourages collaborative learning. It includes three components: a guided exploration of the Museum's exhibits, an inquiry-based lab, and an interactive live science show.)
- 2) 2.The Science Inquiry/Engineering Design (SI/ED) program is a 4-day inquiry-based lesson led by ScienceWorks educators. Students make observations, form hypotheses, design experiments to test their hypothesis, collect data, and draw conclusions based on their data. This immersive lesson models inquiry science in the classroom for both students and teachers and provides the basis for a work sample to be used for State assessment portfolios.
- 3) School-Based Outreach includes our Star Lab Planetarium show, ScienceLive! Show, and Mission Possible, where we take Museum programs, such as Engineering Design, out to a school for a day.

Fundraising Events:

We have three annual fundraising events for adults. These events not only help fund the Museum, but also offer interesting science experiences to attendees.

The Science of Wine brings together 130 people at the Ashland Springs Hotel for an elegant dinner. There are six wines featured, and each is introduced by the winemaker him or herself. Topics such as terroir, facts about the growing season, and techniques involved with creating specific varietals are discussed.

Brews and Boogie is targeted at a younger audience, and takes place at the Museum. Over 700 attendees sample beers from all over the state, and dance to several live bands. People who attend this event happily interact with the exhibits, learning science and having fun.

Our annual Luncheon draws about 200 guests to the Rogue Valley Country Club for a program and a free lunch. The program includes a speaker (last year it was Nancy Stueber, President of the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry (OMSI)). We show videos of the past year's highlights, and have a hands-on activity and science demonstration.

Camps:

ScienceWorks camps are offered for children entering Kindergarten through 12th Grade. Camp sizes are typically 15 for younger students and 18 for older students, allowing for a close-knit camp environment. All camps are taught by outstanding instructors who bring experience and enthusiasm to a wide range of explorations, including engineering, chemistry, tinkering, wildlife, and more. All camps have specific themes appropriate to the age group served.

ScienceWorks runs camps all year long. Our week-long spring break camp serves K-5. During holidays, such as Presidents' Day, Presidents Day, and Martin Luther King Day, we run full-day camps. This year, ScienceWorks will open a new, second classroom. This will enable us to host additional summer camps, as well as school groups and birthday parties.

We anticipate the following camps this summer: 128 Seekers (K-1), 145 Explorers (2-5), 40 Junior Academy (5-7) and 40 Academy (8-12) kids; for a total of 353 campers. Examples of camps to be offered this summer

are "The Secret Life of Bees," "The Science of the Movies," "Aviation Academy," "Dream, Design, and Make" (engineering challenges), and "Astronomy Academy."

Community Collaborations:

ScienceWorks collaborates with a great many cultural and educational organizations in the region. These include the Ashland Art Center, Ashland Chocolate Festival, Ashland Independent Film Festival, Kids Unlimited, Klamath Bird Observatory, Maslow Project, Oregon Shakespeare Festival, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, Rogue Hack Lab, Rogue Valley Farm to School, Rogue Valley Earth Day, Southern Oregon University, Southern Oregon Head Start, Geos, and Siskiyou Film Festival.

The Museum seeks to make interactive science available to all income levels. These efforts include our strong collaboration with Southern Oregon Head Start, Outreach to rural areas, special funding for Title One schools, and monthly \$1 Sundays.

Tourism:

The means by which we attract regional and local visitors, as well as tourists, is by marketing. The tourism funds requested from the City of Ashland will support the year-round marketing efforts that inform our visitors about the events, programs and activities we offer.

Funding from this grant allows for the expansion of staff to support and sustain the marketing and events management efforts that draw in tourists to ScienceWorks and Ashland. This year we are making an enormous new investment in marketing. In 2016, we had one staff member at 30 hours per week to do marketing and events. This year we have doubled our staff hours committed to marketing and events to 60 hours per week.

A total of 9,760 or 16% of ScienceWorks' 61,000 visitors in 2016 were tourists coming from over 50 miles away. This compares with 11% of visitors in 2015. We base these numbers on the zip codes obtained from every visitor to the Museum at admission. With the additional staff power, we anticipate an increase in tourist visitation in 2017.

In January of this year we hired a new full-time Marketing Manager. Erin L. Scott brings 9 years of academic technology support, digital media production, and project management experience to the organization, with a focus on graphic design and photography. Under her direction, the Museum has increased social media interactions and online marketing efforts, and will be redesigning the Museum's website for better usability and accessibility.

At that time, the former Marketing Manager, Rachel Cardillo who has been with the Museum for 11 years in a variety of roles, including Marketing Manager for the last 7 years, transitioned to being the dedicated Events Manager. The growth of the annual science festival (previously called TinkerFest, now the Rogue Valley Mini Maker Faire), increased attendance at annual fundraisers such as The Science of Wine and Brews & Boogie, and more frequent use of the Museum for private events necessitated the reallocation of resources to create this specific role.

Publications we advertise in to attract tourists include North State Parent Magazine (northern California) southern Oregon Magazine, Redding and Bend newspapers and Grants Pass Daily Courier, Josephine County Non Profit E-newsletter, Northwest Kids Magazine (Portland area) and the Spanish language magazine Caminos.

Major Events:

Earth Day at ScienceWorks:

April 22, 2017 will be the 8th Earth Day celebration at ScienceWorks. Each year the event attracts more than 3,000 visitors. Earth Day at ScienceWorks is a collaboration between the Museum and the Rogue Valley Earth Day Committee. A ScienceWorks representative sits on this Committee, which begins planning for the event in January. Earth Day features over 70 exhibit booths, featuring topics such as renewable energy, recycling, electric cars, and organic agriculture. ScienceWorks will be open on Earth Day, and will serve approximately 900 visitors.

Mini Maker Faire:

The Maker movement is growing rapidly; today there are 191 Maker Faires. This year will be our second official Mini Maker Faire, following three years of our own Tinkerfest. The Maker movement is about working with tools and materials to create and innovate. The projects can be high-tech, such as robots and drones, or low-tech, such as sculpture and woodworking. Maker Faires draw tech enthusiasts, crafters, hobbyists, school science clubs, and artists. They show off their work and offer hands-on activities to visitors, inspiring them to become Makers themselves.

In 2016 we had 200 school children and 1,500 public visitors, makers and volunteers. This year we anticipate 600 school children and 2,000 public visitors.

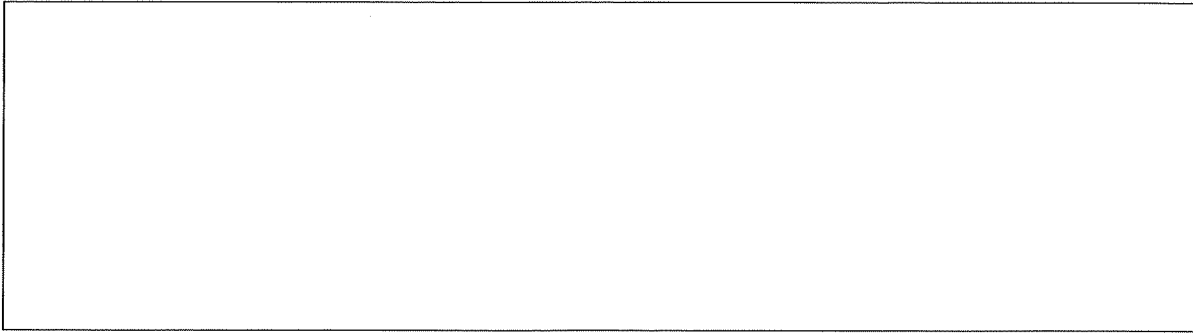
2.1 If your grant request is for date specific events, programs or activities, please complete the following table

Program/Event Title	Anticipated Dates of Event		Funding Request
	Start	End	

3. Which grant category (or categories) does your request fall under? *(please check all that apply)*

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Grant Category	Grant Request
	Economic Development	\$ N/A

Per Economic Development eligible activities (page 10), please explain how your activities qualify (<i>please limit to approx. 250 words</i>):	
Cultural	\$ 20,000
<p>Per Cultural Development eligible activities (page 11), please explain how your activities qualify (<i>please limit to approx. 250 words</i>):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Programs or activities that create cultural offerings unique from existing local offerings, activities or programs. 2. Programs or activities that ensure the long-term success of local cultural groups. 3. Expansion in size or scope of existing cultural offerings, activities or programs. 4. Expansion of audience access to those existing offerings, activities or programs. 5. Support services targeted to existing or proposed cultural offerings, activities or programs. 	
Tourism	\$ 25,000
<p>Per Tourism eligible activities (page 11), please explain how your activities qualify (<i>please limit to approx. 250 words</i>):</p> <p>Advertising, publicizing or distributing information for the purpose of attracting and welcoming tourists; Conducting strategic planning and research necessary to stimulate future tourism development; Marketing special events and festivals designed to attract tourists.</p>	
Sustainability	\$



4. If you do not receive the full amount of your request, describe how your organization would use a smaller amount of funds in each of the categories being applied for (*please limit to approximately 250 words*)

ScienceWorks Marketing and Events staff time have been doubled this year with the intent of increasing visitation locally, regionally, and nationally. If we do not receive the requested Tourism allocation from the City of Ashland, we will need to reduce staff hours and cut back on our budget to attract visitors to the Museum. This would particularly impact tourists who are targeted by regional publications and media.

If ScienceWorks Cultural Development request is not fully funded, it would make it difficult to preserve the vast programming, education, and events that the Museum offers. Expansion of these offerings is contingent on the City grant, as well as other fundraising.

5. Using the attached City of Ashland Policy for Economic, Cultural, Tourism and Sustainability Grants, Section III (page 12), please explain how you will measure success or desired outcomes. (*please limit to approximately 250 words*)

ScienceWorks promotes Tourism by advertising, publicizing and distributing information for the purpose of attracting and welcoming tourists. Our measure of success is the number of tourists who attend ScienceWorks programs from 50 miles away or who add an overnight stay in Ashland to their visit. This year we have doubled our investment in Marketing and Events. Last year we experienced a significant increase in our tourism numbers, probably due to our blockbuster exhibit of animatronic dinosaurs. If we can maintain our Tourism numbers in 2017, we will have successfully met our goals.

ScienceWorks promotes Cultural Development for Ashland residents and visitors through a myriad of scientific programs that excite, engage, and educate. These programs are unique and unduplicated; they present cultural opportunities that would not otherwise exist in our region.

Thank you for your time and efforts in preparing this information for consideration by the Grants Committee.

By signing below you certify that:

You, the grantee, understand that you must comply with all federal, state and local requirements applicable for the activities funded by this grant. Award of a grant by the City does not waive the grantee's obligation to obtain, at grantee's sole expense, all applicable permits that may be required for grantee's program or project.

And, that a grant may be conditioned on submission or other approvals to the City of a Certificate of General Liability Insurance in the amount of up to **\$1,000,000** naming the City of Ashland, its officers and employees as additional insured.

And, that you the undersigned have legal authority to submit the above information on behalf of the organization named above.

Name (print) Ann J. Dowdy

Name (signature) Ann J. Dowdy

Title Executive Director

ScienceWorks Hand-On Museum Board of Directors and Officers

Last updated 10/24/16

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10/24/16

*3-year term expires
** 6 year term expires
*** Additional term expires

City of Ashland Customer Demographic Profile

The primary goal of the grant award process is to allocate funds to organizations that are providing economic, tourism, cultural and/or sustainability programs, services or events that reach a demographically diverse customer base, both locally and from outside our region. The following questions are intended to provide guidance for the possible types of customer demographics that would help the grant review/award sub-committee understand the customer types that your application would likely reach.

*** If your organization tracks this data or other related data, in other formats, please feel free to submit that format directly. This form is provided as a template and is not required to be completed in this format, but customer demographic information is an application submittal requirement.**

Organization Name: ScienceWorks Hands-On Museum
 Program/Event Name: Tourism and Cultural Development
 For the Twelve month period of: July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018

I. Customer Age (percentage)

Youth 0 to 12 years	___ 53 ___ %
Adult 13 to 64 years	___ 40 ___ %
Adult 65 and over	___ 2 ___ %
Unknown	___ 5 ___ %
Total	___ 100 ___ %

II. Staff Residence (percentage)

Ashland	___ 95 ___ %
Rogue Valley	___ 5 ___ %
Other	___ ___ %
Total	___ 100 ___ %

II. Customer Residence (percentage)

Ashland	___ 30 ___ %
Rogue Valley	___ 43 ___ %
Other (within 50 miles)	___ 11 ___ %
Other (greater than 50 miles)	___ 16 ___ %

III. Of the Customers identified above, what percent do you estimate stayed overnight to attend your program, service or event? _15_ %

City of Ashland Grants Program Budget

Applicant/Organization: ScienceWorks Hands-On Museum
Project Period: July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018

Revenue	
ig100 · Grants Income	
ig130 · Government Grants	
City of Ashland	45,000
Jackson County Funds	
Other State or Federal Funds/Identify:	
ig110 · Public Grants	145,350
Total ig100 · Grants Income	190,350
ie500 · Earned Income	
ie511 · Museum	283,990
ie600 · Education/Schools Programs	161,746
ie700 · Sales	37,094
ie800 · Exhibit Department	107,000
ie910 · Other Earned Income	1,421
Total ie500 · Earned Income	591,251
ip300 · Public Support	
ip320 · Fundraising Events	96,574
ip350 · Minor Contributions	13,410
ip360 · Major Contributions +500	39,890
ip370 · Sponsorships	38,750
Total ip300 · Public Support	188,625
7 · In-kind and Non-Cash contributi	26,538
Total Income	996,763
Expenditures	
100 · Employees	
101 · Salaries and wages	
Marketing Coordinator-100%	30,120
Other Salaries and wages	507,640
Total Salaries and wages	537,760
102 · Payroll taxes	42,319
103 · Employee benefits	42,604
Total 100 · Employees	622,682
200 · Professional Fees	18,916
300 · Advertising and Promotion	33,617
400 · Office Expense	13,861
500 · Other Program Expense	149,612
600 · Occupancy	97,009
700 · Travel	9,077
800 · Meetings, conferences, convent	472
900 · Insurance	12,202
1000 · Equipment rental	9,536
1100 · Repairs and Maintenance	3,240
1500 · In-Kind and Non-Cash	26,538
Total Expenditures	996,763

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
P. O. BOX 2508
CINCINNATI, OH 45201

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: **JUL 31 2001**

Employer Identification Number:

DLN:

Contact Person:

LAURIE FORTUNE

ID# 95002

Contact Telephone Number:

(877) 829-5500

Accounting Period Ending:

December 31

Foundation Status Classification:

509(a)(2)

Advance Ruling Period Begins:

May 23, 2000

Advance Ruling Period Ends:

December 31, 2004

Addendum Applies:

No

SCIENCE CENTER OF SOUTHERN OREGON
C/O SHARON JAVNA
219 ALMOND ST
ASHLAND, OR 97520

Dear Applicant:

Based on information you supplied, and assuming your operations will be as stated in your application for recognition of exemption, we have determined you are exempt from federal income tax under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in section 501(c)(3).

Because you are a newly created organization, we are not now making a final determination of your foundation status under section 509(a) of the Code. However, we have determined that you can reasonably expect to be a publicly supported organization described in section 509(a)(2).

Accordingly, during an advance ruling period you will be treated as a publicly supported organization, and not as a private foundation. This advance ruling period begins and ends on the dates shown above.

Within 90 days after the end of your advance ruling period, you must send us the information needed to determine whether you have met the requirements of the applicable support test during the advance ruling period. If you establish that you have been a publicly supported organization, we will classify you as a section 509(a)(1) or 509(a)(2) organization as long as you continue to meet the requirements of the applicable support test. If you do not meet the public support requirements during the advance ruling period, we will classify you as a private foundation for future periods. Also, if we classify you as a private foundation, we will treat you as a private foundation from your beginning date for purposes of section 507(d) and 4940.

Grantors and contributors may rely on our determination that you are not a private foundation until 90 days after the end of your advance ruling period. If you send us the required information within the 90 days, grantors and contributors may continue to rely on the advance determination until we make

Letter 1045 (DO/CG)

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
P. O. BOX 2508
CINCINNATI, OH 45201

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: MAY 26 2005

Employer Identification Number:
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DIN:
[REDACTED]

SCIENCE CENTER OF SOUTHERN OREGON
PO BOX 1177
ASHLAND, OR 97520-0000

Contact Person:

JOHN J KOESTER

ID# 31364

Contact Telephone Number:

(877) 829-5500

Public Charity Status:

509(a)(2)

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Dear Applicant:

Our letter dated JUNE 2001, stated you would be exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, and you would be treated as a public charity, rather than as a private foundation, during an advance ruling period.

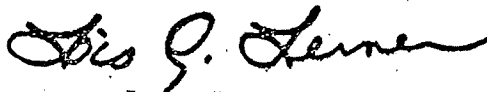
Based on the information you submitted, you are classified as a public charity under the Code section listed in the heading of this letter. Since your exempt status was not under consideration, you continue to be classified as an organization exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Code.

Publication 557, Tax-Exempt Status for Your Organization, provides detailed information about your rights and responsibilities as an exempt organization. You may request a copy by calling the toll-free number for forms, (800) 829-3676. Information is also available on our Internet Web Site at www.irs.gov.

If you have general questions about exempt organizations, please call our toll-free number shown in the heading between 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Eastern time.

Please keep this letter in your permanent records.

Sincerely yours,



Lois G. Lerner
Director, Exempt Organizations
Rulings and Agreements

Letter 1050 (DO/CG)

OGDEN UT 84201-0046

In reply refer to: [REDACTED]
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SCIENCEWORKS HANDS-ON MUSEUM
% SHARON JAVNA
PO BOX 1177
ASHLAND OR 97520-0040779



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Taxpayer Identification Number: [REDACTED]

Dear Taxpayer:

Thank you for the inquiry dated July 26, 2005.

We have changed the name on your account as requested. The number shown above is valid for use on all tax documents.

If you have any questions, please call us toll free at 1-877-829-5500 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., Eastern Time.

If you prefer, you may write to us at the address shown at the top of the first page of this letter.

Whenever you write, please include this letter and, in the spaces below, give us your telephone number with the hours we can reach you. Also, you may want to keep a copy of this letter for your records.

Telephone Number () _____ Hours _____

Sincerely yours,

Marilyn Cook

Marilyn Cook
Dept. Manager, Code & Edit/Entity 3

Enclosure(s):
Copy of this letter

AMENDED BYLAWS OF
SCIENCE CENTER OF SOUTHERN OREGON

ARTICLE 1

MEMBERS

This Corporation shall have no members as that term is defined in Chapter 65 of the Oregon Revised Statutes. Any reference to membership in the Corporation's fundraising and public relations materials is deemed to refer to membership in the ScienceWorks Museum operated by the Corporation or other facilities owned or operated by the Corporation hereafter. A member of the Museum will have benefits such as free admission but will not have any voting or other rights as a member of the Corporation.

ARTICLE II

DIRECTORS: MANAGEMENT

Section 1. POWERS

The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors who shall exercise or direct the exercise of all corporate powers.

Section 2. NUMBER

The Board of Directors shall consist of not more than 15 members.

Section 3. ELECTION AND TENURE OF OFFICE

The directors shall be elected by the Board and shall serve for three years or until qualified successors are elected and accept office. Their term of office shall begin immediately after election. Directors shall be elected to terms of 1, 2, and 3 years so that the replacement of retiring Board members will be staggered. Each Board member may serve two consecutive terms without being re-elected. By vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Board, a Board member whose two 3-year terms have expired may be elected to an additional term of up to three years.

Section 4. VACANCIES

(a) A vacancy in the Board of Directors shall exist upon the death, resignation or removal of any directors. A director shall be considered to have resigned if absent from three consecutive meetings without prior notice of the secretary.

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(b) Vacancies in the Board of Directors may be filled by a majority of the remaining directors though less than a quorum, or by a sole remaining director. Each director so elected shall hold office for the balance of the unexpired term of the director's predecessor and until a qualified successor is elected and accepts office.

(c) If the Board of Directors accepts the resignation of a director tendered to take effect at a future time, a successor may be elected to take office when the resignation becomes effective.

Section 5. REMOVAL OF DIRECTORS

Any Director of this Corporation may be removed at any meeting of the Board by majority vote, provided, however, that such proposed action is stated in the Notice of the meeting.

Section 6. MEETINGS

(a) Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held at such place as may be designated from time to time by the Board of Directors.

(b) Special meetings of the Board of Directors for any purpose or purposes may be called at any time by any Director.

(c) Each Director of the Board of Directors must attend a minimum of seventy five percent (75%) of the meetings each calendar year. Should a Director fail to so attend, that Director shall be provided an opportunity to explain their absences. The other Directors will then vote on the absentee Director's continued participation on the Board of Directors, removal shall require a majority vote.

Section 7. NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETINGS

(a) Notice of the time of special meetings shall be given orally or delivered in writing, personally or by mail, e-mail, or fax at least seventy-two (72) hours before the meeting. Notice mailed or faxed shall be directed to the address shown in the corporate records, or to the Director's actual address ascertained by the person giving the notice.

(b) Attendance of the directors shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting except where a director attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.

Section 8. QUORUM AND VOTE

(a) A majority of the directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. A minority of the directors, in the absence of a quorum, may adjourn from time to time but may not transact any other business.

(b) The action of a majority of the directors present at any meeting at which there is a quorum shall be the act of the Board of Directors and of this Corporation, except that an affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Directors present shall be required for the sale or disposition of substantially all of the assets of the Corporation.

Section 9. DIRECTOR CONFLICT OF INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

A conflict of interest transaction is a transaction with the Corporation in which a director of the Corporation has a direct or indirect interest. For purposes of this section, a director has an indirect interest in a transaction if: (a) another entity in which the director has a material interest or in which the director is a general partner is a party to the transaction or (b) another entity of which the director is a director, officer or trustee is a party to the transaction. A conflict of interest transaction shall not be voidable nor shall it be the basis of imposing liability on the director if the transaction was fair at the time it was entered into or is approved in advance as hereinafter provided. A transaction in which a director has a conflict of interest may be approved in advance by the vote of the Board of Directors or a committee of the Board if: (a) the material facts of the transaction and the director's interest are disclosed or known to the Board or committee of the Board; and (b) the transaction is fair to the Corporation. For purposes of this section, a conflict of interest transaction is approved if it receives the affirmative vote of a majority of the directors on the Board or on the committee, who have no direct or indirect interest in the transaction, but a transaction may not be approved under this section by a single director. If a majority of the directors on the Board who have no direct or indirect interest in the transaction vote to approve the transaction, a quorum is present for the purpose of taking action under this section. The presence of, or a vote cast by, a director with a direct or indirect interest in the transaction does not affect the validity of any action taken under this section if the transaction is otherwise approved as provided in this section.

ARTICLE III

OFFICERS

Section 1. DESIGNATION: ELECTION: QUALIFICATION

(a) The officers shall be a President, Secretary, Treasure and such Vice Presidents and subordinate officers as the Board of Directors shall from time to time appoint, and all must be members of the Board of Directors. The officers shall be elected by, and hold office at the pleasure of, the Board of Directors. Any two or more offices may be held by the same person.

(b) A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification or any other cause shall be filled by election of the Board of Directors.

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Section 2. TERM OF OFFICE

(a) Term of office of all the officers of the Corporation shall be fixed by the Board of Directors.

(b) Any officer may be removed, either with or without cause, by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

(c) Any officer may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Board of Directors, the President or the Secretary of the Corporation. Any such resignation shall take effect upon receipt of such notice or at any later time specified therein. Unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective, provided that the Board of Directors may reject any post-dated resignation by notice in writing to the resigning officer.

Section 3. PRESIDENT

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors. The President shall perform such other duties as the Board of Directors may, from time to time, authorize, and shall form the various committees of the Board.

Section 4. VICE PRESIDENTS

The Vice Presidents, if any, shall perform such duties as the Board of Directors shall prescribe. In the absence or disability of the President his or her duties and powers shall be performed and exercised by a senior Vice President as designated by the Board of Directors.

Section 5. SECRETARY

(a) The Secretary shall keep or cause to be kept at the principal office or such other place as the Board of Directors may order, a book of minutes of all meetings of directors showing the time and place of the meeting, whether it was regular or special, and if special, how authorized, the notice given and the names of those present at Directors' meetings.

(b) The Secretary shall give or cause to be given such notice of the meetings of the Board of Directors as is required by the bylaws. The Secretary shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors or bylaws.

Section 6. TREASURE

The Treasure shall be responsible for the funds of the Corporation, and pay them out only on the check of the Corporation signed in the manner authorized by the Board of Directors.

Section 7. NO COMPENSATION

No officers of the Corporation shall be compensated for their services as such. However, to the extent that an officer acts as an employee of the Corporation, the officer may be compensated for such services related to said employment.

ARTICLE IV

CORPORATE RECORDS AND REPORTS - INSPECTION

Section 1. RECORDS

The Corporation shall maintain adequate and correct books, records and accounts of its business and properties. All of such books, records and accounts shall be kept at its place of business as fixed by the Board of Directors from time to time, except as otherwise provided by law.

Section 2. INSPECTION OF BOOKS AND RECORDS

All books, records and accounts of the Corporation shall be open to inspection by the Directors at reasonable times in the manner and to the extent required by law.

Section 3. CERTIFICATION AND INSPECTION OF BYLAWS

The original or a copy of the bylaws and any amendments thereto certified by the Secretary, shall be open to inspection by the directors in the manner and to the extent required by law.

Section 4. CHECKS, DRAFTS, ETC.

All checks, drafts or other orders for payment of money, notes or other evidences of indebtedness, issued in the name of or payable to the Corporation, shall be signed or endorsed by such person or persons and in such manner as shall be determined from time to time by resolution of the Board of Directors.

Section 5. EXECUTION OF DOCUMENTS

The Board of Directors may authorize any officer or agent to enter into any contract or execute any instruments in the name of and on behalf of the Corporation. Such authority may be general or confined to specific instances. Unless so authorized by the Board of Directors, no officer, agent or employee shall have any power or authority to bind the Corporation by any contract or engagement, or to pledge its credit, or to render it liable for any purpose or for any amount.

ARTICLE V

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 1. AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS AND ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

(a) The Bylaws and/or Articles of Incorporation may be amended only by a majority vote of the Board.

(b) Whenever an amendment or new bylaw is adopted, it shall be copied in the minute book with the original bylaws in the appropriate place. If any bylaw is repealed, the fact of repeal and the date on which the repeal occurred shall be stated in such book and place.

Section 2. WAIVER OF NOTICE

Whenever any notice to any director is required by law, the Articles of Incorporation or the Bylaws, a waiver of notice in writing signed at any time by the person entitled to notice shall be equivalent to the giving of the notice. Appearance at any such meeting shall also serve as a waiver respecting the person appearing.

Section 3. ACTION WITHOUT A MEETING

Any action which the law, the Articles of Incorporation or the Bylaws require or permit the directors to take at a meeting may be taken without a meeting if a consent in writing setting forth the action taken is signed by all of the directors entitled to vote on the matter. The consent, which shall have the same effect as a unanimous vote of the directors, shall be filed in the records of minutes of the Corporation.

Section 4. INDEMNIFICATION

The Corporation shall indemnify and hold all Directors harmless from any claims or liability which may arise in connection with any of the activities of the Board or the Corporation. The Corporation may procure insurance to this end.

Section 5. PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES

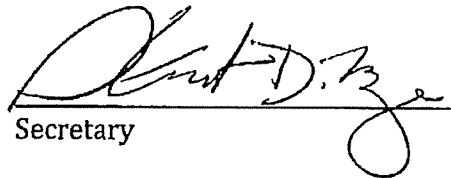
This Corporation is organized as a nonprofit Corporation exclusively for charitable, religious, education and scientific purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended. No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, directors, officers or other private persons, except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in these Articles of Incorporation. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Corporation shall not participate

in, or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Anything contained in these Bylaws to the contrary notwithstanding, the Corporation shall not carry on or otherwise engage in any activities not permitted to be carried on or engaged in by: (a) a Corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or any corresponding section of any future tax code; (b) a Corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or any corresponding section of any future tax code; or (c) a Corporation organized and existing under the Oregon Nonprofit Corporation Act.

Section 6. NO LOANS TO OR GUARANTIES FOR DIRECTORS

The Corporation may not lend money to or guaranty the obligation of a director or officer of the Corporation, but the fact that a loan or guaranty is made in violation of this section shall not affect the borrower's liability on the loan.

The undersigned, corporate Secretary, herewith certifies the above Bylaws as the true and identical ones accepted and approved by the Boar of Directors of this corporation on the 17th day of October, 2009.


Secretary

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax
 Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)
 ▶ Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.
 ▶ Information about Form 990 and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

2015

Open to Public Inspection

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

A For the 2015 calendar year, or tax year beginning , **2015**, and ending

B Check if applicable:	C	D Employer identification number
<input type="checkbox"/> Address change	SCIENCEWORKS HANDS-ON MUSEUM 1500 EAST MAIN ASHLAND, OR 97520	<input type="checkbox"/> [REDACTED]
<input type="checkbox"/> Name change		E Telephone number
<input type="checkbox"/> Initial return		(541) 482-6767
<input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated		G Gross receipts \$ 923,827.
<input type="checkbox"/> Amended return		H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	F Name and address of principal officer: SAME AS C ABOVE	H(b) Are all subordinates included? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If 'No,' attach a list. (see instructions)
I Tax-exempt status	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) () (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527	H(c) Group exemption number ▶
J Website: ▶	WWW.SCIENCEWORKSMUSEUM.ORG	
K Form of organization:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶	L Year of formation: 2001 M State of legal domicile: OR

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <u>SCIENCE CENTER WITH HANDS-ON EXHIBITS, EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS FOR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS, AND PUBLIC PROGRAMS.</u>		
	2	Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
	3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a).....	3	13
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b).....	4	13
	5	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2015 (Part V, line 2a).....	5	36
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary).....	6	284
	7a	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12.....	7a	0.
	b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34.....	7b	0.	
Revenue	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h).....	Prior Year	Current Year
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g).....	491,366.	415,627.
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d).....	511,776.	507,480.
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e).....	266.	720.
	12	Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12).....	1,005,646.	923,827.
	Expenses	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3).....	
14		Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4).....		
15		Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10).....	615,334.	582,041.
16a		Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e).....		
b		Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 103,774.		
17		Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e).....	523,673.	431,710.
Net Assets or Fund Balances	18	Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25).....	1,139,007.	1,013,751.
	19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12.....	-133,361.	-89,924.
	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16).....	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26).....	1,418,016.	1,413,661.
	22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20.....	152,620.	238,189.
			1,265,396.	1,175,472.

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here	Signature of officer	Date
	STEVE UTT Type or print name and title.	PRESIDENT

Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN [REDACTED]
	RICHARD W. BREWSTER, CPA	RICHARD W. BREWSTER, CPA			
	Firm's name ▶ RICHARD W. BREWSTER, CPA, PC	Firm's address ▶ 670 SUPERIOR CT. #106		Firm's EIN ▶ [REDACTED]	
	MEDFORD, OR 97504	Phone no. (541) 773-1885			

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) Yes No

SCIENCEWORKS HANDS-ON MUSEUM

Profit & Loss

January through December 2016

Jan - Dec 16

Ordinary Income/Expense

Income

ie500 · Earned Income	563,557.59
ig100 · Grants Income	120,181.92
ip300 · Public Support	258,937.64
7 · In-kind and Non-Cash contributi	39,744.56

Total Income 982,421.71

Gross Profit 982,421.71

Expense

100 · Employees	524,298.87
200 · Professional Fees	18,191.68
300 · Advertising and Promotion	32,020.49
400 · Office Expense	12,264.98
500 · Other Program Expense	124,943.66
600 · Occupancy	87,439.22
700 · Travel	10,865.48
800 · Meetings, conferences, convent	542.41
900 · Insurance	11,655.20
1000 · Equipment rental	8,874.30
1100 · Repairs and Maintenance	2,483.73
1200 · Miscellaneous	978.60
1300 · Interest	926.01
1500 · In-Kind and Non-Cash	39,744.56

Total Expense 875,229.19

Net Ordinary Income 107,192.52

Other Income/Expense

Other Income

oi200 · Realized Gain (loss)	22.32
oi300 · Release of Deferred Grant Reven	80,109.02
oi350 · Release of Deferred Earned Inco	15,588.60
oi500 · Other Income	0.00

Total Other Income 95,719.94

Other Expense

oe100 · Depreciation Expense	74,248.08
oe1600 · Fixed Asset Purchases	0.00

Total Other Expense 74,248.08

Net Other Income 21,471.86

Net Income 128,664.38