

SURVEY: REOPENING HANDS-ON MUSEUMS

The current situation is posing a serious threat to children-centred and hands-on museum work. Given their unique methods these hybrid organisations of early learning facilities and museums are dependent on their interaction with visitors. As international association we are dedicated to gathering strategies and practical examples of interactive museums tackling the challenges of this pandemic.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Type your answers in this document or create a separate.

Send your contribution to: secretariat@hands-on-international.net. You are also welcome to provide additional documents (e.g.: your health and safety policy).

This survey can also be completed online: <https://survey.sogosurvey.com/r/WS14y8>

A summary report including the main findings and recommendations will be made available on our website. For Hands On! Members we will offer online sessions in connection to the open questions and major issues raised in this survey. Additionally, they will be able to access all anonymized entries via the Members' zone.

I confirm to have fully read and understand the terms of participating in this survey and agree to Hands On! International Association of Children in Museums collecting, processing and publishing your data provided in this survey, as specified in the following paragraphs.

Your data provided will be held securely in our offline archive. In order to evaluate your data, the information provided in each section will be anonymised and uploaded onto our server. The mere purpose of your data provided is to evaluate the status quo of the sector and develop strategies to support your organization and heighten the visibility of your work.

Your data will be anonymized and published online as a part of a combined report on the current strategies of the field. If you provide any specific examples of your current work (links to online projects, etc.), they will be listed as best practice resources, together with all other entries. Additionally, your inputs (EXCLUDED: Organisation details, such as Organisation name, or any references to your or your organisation's identity you might have made during answering any questions in the survey) will be made available to HO! Members through the Members Zone on our website.

Your organisation-related data will not be passed on to third parties, other than described above. If you want us to delete the original record of your data or have any questions regarding the processing and storage of your data, please contact: secretariat@hands-on-international.net

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SURVEY

I. GENERAL

Country

Type of Organisation

(e.g. Museum, children's museum, Science Center)

Date of reopening

Name all offers you implemented during times of closure to serve your audience.

(E.g.: online workshops, printables, livestreams, etc. You are very welcome to provide links if applicable)

II. HYGIENE & SAFETY GUIDELINES

List the hygiene and safety measures, you are planning to implement split in the following categories.

If you plan to cancel an offer or close-off the area, please state this in your answer. If your organisation does not offer this facility/programme in the first place, please type 'not applicable'

Entrance and exit situation

Frontline staff safety

(direct contact with visitors)



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Backoffice staff safety

(only contact with each other)

Exhibitions/Exhibits

Workshops, tours & special programmes

(for schools & individuals)

Toilets and locker rooms

Café, Shop and Seating areas

Outdoor areas

Spaces with constricted seating settings

(such as theatres, labs, cinema/show rooms)



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Others

Share your unsolved questions and struggles in connection with hygiene and safety measures.
(other inputs welcome!)

III. CONTENT ADAPTIONS: REFERRING TO THE PANDEMIC

List any references or special offers in connection with the COVID-19 pandemic you are planning to implement in a short-term or mid-term perspective. Such as offering exhibits, or special programmes tackling any aspect of the pandemic.

E.g.: Special Resources on health, viruses, boredom, loneliness, changes of daily-life, social distancing, etc. If your organisation does not intend to make any content references to the pandemic, please type 'not applicable'

Exhibitions/Exhibits

Workshops, Tours & special programmes

Online offers

Shop

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Others

Share your current unsolved questions and struggles in connection with offering content in connection with the pandemic.

(other inputs welcome!)

IV. POST-PANDEMIC STRATEGIES

Does the current situation impact your long-term strategy and/or plans other than in terms of possible financial cuts? Please provide your current internal discussions and ideas on developing a sustainable post-pandemic strategy in order to ensure your organisation's stability in case of future closures or long-term restrictions?

If your organisation does not intend to adapt existing strategies or approaches in the given category, please type 'not applicable'

Content/thematic focus

(long-term perspective)

Exhibition design

Online Strategy

Workshops, tours & other programmes



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Staff/Management

(Contracting, requirements, job descriptions, workspace)

Share your current unsolved questions and struggles in connection with post-pandemic strategies.

(Other inputs & thoughts welcome!)