

ACCREDITATION SCHEME

Taking a look at how the MLA Museum Accreditation Scheme is going from strength to strength in the East of England.



Celebrating Success

Congratulations !

Over 65 museums from the East of England have now achieved Full Accreditation awarded by MLA Council - what a fantastic achievement. Designed to support museums towards meeting agreed national standards, the MLA Museum Accreditation Scheme helps organisations to develop potential and excel in their activities. Museums across the East of England are increasingly recognising the value of both the expert support on offer and the resulting confidence which achievement of the award can bring.

Is it a new scheme?

No. Accreditation was previously known as Registration and has been running since 1988.

Who is it for?

All museums in the UK who hold collections in Trust for their local and wider communities.

What is it?

A set of nationally agreed, clearly defined standards relating to governance and management, user services, visitor facilities and collections management, and a process by which these standards can be implemented effectively by supported organisations.

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Quality assured

Achieving nationally agreed standards across the whole range of museum agendas encourages good practice and quality experience throughout the organisation. Accreditation is a mark of quality assurance and a useful PR tool in its own right. It signifies not the end, but a continuing process, acknowledging what has been learnt and celebrating what this means for the museum's development and future.

More than just a certificate...

Signing up for the Accreditation Scheme opens the door to the expertise of museum colleagues supported by MLA East of England and Renaissance. The University of Essex Collection of Latin American Art was delighted by the support it received in evaluating and analysing its current performance. 'The friendly expertise of the MLA East of England team was invaluable', explains Dr Joanne Harwood from the University of Essex. 'We were able to build plans for future activities with informed confidence.'

Find out more

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