## **Rules of Conduct**

The Museum is intended to be an inviting, comfortable, clean, and safe place for looking at exhibits, attending Museum-authorized programs and meetings. Museum Visitors should conduct themselves in a manner that respects other visitors. Behaviors that infringe upon the rights of Museum customers or staff are prohibited.

- These rules are intended to ensure that all Museum users may enjoy good service in pleasant surroundings.
- Enforcement of these rules will be conducted in a fair and reasonable manner. Museum staff, and/or law enforcement are authorized to enforce these rules. Failure to comply with the Museum's established rules and policies could result in removal from the premises and exclusion from the Museum for a period of one day to one year, or in arrest or prosecution.
- Individual users have the right to request an administrative review of an exclusion order that is for a period greater than two weeks.

The following actions are examples, but not a complete list, of conduct not allowed on Museum property:

- Failing to comply with a reasonable staff request.
- Possessing, using, or being under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances.
- Using tobacco or vapor products.
- Verbally, physically, or sexually threatening or harassing other users, volunteers, or staff, including stalking, staring, lurking, bullying, obscene language, offensive touching, and obscene acts such as sex acts and indecent exposure.
- Stealing, damaging, altering, moving or inappropriate use of property, furniture, or equipment.
- Fighting or challenging to fight, running, roughhousing, pushing, shoving, or throwing things.
- Creating disruptive noises and/or disturbances which interfere with others use of the Museum.
- Participating in group activities which are disruptive to the Museum environment.
- Lying down or sleeping.
- Blocking halls, stairs, exits, or entrances.

- Harassing or discriminating against users, volunteers, or staff based on race, color, religion, national origin, sex, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, ancestry, or any other protected class.
- Selling and/or soliciting for money or items or services, except as authorized by the Museum Director.
- Trespassing in non-public areas, being in the Museum without permission of an authorized Museum employee before or after Museum operating hours, or camping on Museum grounds.
- Using restroom facilities for purposes other than which they are intended.
- Entering or being in the Museum with inadequate clothing or hygiene, or being otherwise attired so as to be disruptive to the Museum environment.
- Carrying firearms and dangerous weapons of any type, unless otherwise authorized by law.
- Leaving packages, backpacks, luggage, or any other personal items unattended.
- Using wheeled devices in the Museum or in prohibited areas on Museum grounds, except as authorized by law.
- Bringing pets or animals, other than service animals necessary for disabilities, into the Museum, except as authorized by the Museum Director.
- For the protection of the artifacts, Food and Beverages are prohibited in the Exhibit Galleries.
- Engaging in any activity in violation of federal, state, local, or other applicable law or Museum policy.

## Children in the Museum

Children are welcome and encouraged to visit the Museum. Children using the Museum on their own must follow the Museum Rules of Conduct. Children behaving inappropriately may be required to leave. Children must be able to self-manage while Visiting the Museum.

For the safety and comfort of children, parents or responsible caregivers, should be in the same space with their child/children while in the Museum. Parents are responsible for supervising their children in the Museum. The Museum is not a substitute for child care services.

When necessary, the Museum will contact law enforcement to assist a child in need of adult supervision.