



**TO:** Cultural Education Committee  
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**SUBJECT:** New York State Museum Update  
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**AUTHORIZATION(S):**

**SUMMARY**

**Issue for Discussion**

State Museum Update

**Reason(s) for Consideration**

Information for Regents.

**Background Information**

State Museum director Mark Schaming will deliver a report about new and upcoming museum exhibitions, recent acquisitions, and education programs.

Exhibitions:

- Opening *The People's Art: Selections from the Empire State Plaza Art Collection* on October 22.
- Staff is working on three major exhibitions to open in 2017: *A Spirit of Sacrifice: New York State in the First World War*, *Enterprising Waters: New York's Erie Canal*, and *Votes for Women: Celebrating New York's Suffrage Centennial*.

Recent Acquisition:

- Acquisition of Fort Orange and Schuyler Flatts archaeological collections from the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation. These collections represent some of the finest archaeological objects from New Netherland.

Education:

- The State Museum is now an approved sponsor of CTLE (Continuing Teacher and Leader Education).
- Evolution teacher workshop to be held in October; planning CTLE workshops in 2017 to coincide with the three major history exhibitions.