



## Executive Director Update July 2019

### CONFERENCES

- **League of Historic American Theatres Conference, *Risky Business? Assessing Disaster Risks at Your Historic Theatre*** – July 15, 9:30 – 10:45 AM, Philadelphia. Presenters: Tom Claeson and Jan Newcomb. **There were 16 very interested and engaged attendees to the session and there was considerable traffic during the two and a half-hour exhibition session.**
- **National Alliance for Musical Theatre (NAMT) Management Roundtable** – Discussion, July 19, Houston. Lauren Hainley, Houston Arts Alliance and PAR Circuit Rider conducted the workshop.

### Programmatic Agenda:

- **Southern Finger Lakes Arts Preparedness Network – July 9, 2019**, hosted a workshop with Tom Claeson and Jan Newcomb at the Corning Museum of Glass in Corning, NY. **Representatives from all but one member of the core group were in attendance. Tom reviewed the information he gleaned from the survey which was sent to organizations and artists within a 5 county and 2 state area. Bill Gilbert, the safety director of the Corning Museum of Glass joined us in the presentation. The group decided on both short- and long-term action steps to be taken in organizing the network which will include organizations & artists in northern PA as well as the Southern Tier counties of NYS.**
- **PAR/NCAPER/California Arts Council State-Local Emergency Preparedness Initiative Workshops** involving 21 participating Local Arts Agencies and their network partners. Tom Claeson and Jan Newcomb will spend a week in August and another week in September in the state of California conducting 5-hour workshops in a total of 8 regions. **Tom and I are in the process of developing the workshop content using the Cultural Placekeeping Guide (CPG) as the text for the group. All participants have been asked to bring their copies of the CPG including the planning worksheets. Workshops will be hosted in Petaluma, Auburn, Redding and Eureka from August 12-16.**

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Newcomb  
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