

**Creative Solutions to Collections Care**  
**Historical Society of Pennsylvania**  
**Hidden Collections Initiative for Small Archival Repositories**  
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Small organizations are faced with complicated challenges in identifying problems, creating strategically planned projects, and finding the funds to support the administration of collection.

Institutional resources, such as: staffing and staff capabilities; access to professional consultants; funding, and other needed resources, will influence preservation planning, project implementation, and institutional management.

It is important to strive towards professional standards and best practices for art, historic, and archival collections of all sizes.

Making progressive improvements, no matter how small, will help accomplish preservation and access of collection.



The ACA is a group of qualified art conservators offering their clients a wide variety of museum-quality services based on their specialized expertise in the care of paintings, three-dimensional objects, textiles, works of art and archival materials on paper. Each ACA associate holds a master's degree in art conservation, is a professional member of the American Institute for Conservation, and works out of an independent and fully insured studio based in the Philadelphia region.

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## PRESERVATION & CONSERVATION RESOURCES

### **Informational Websites, Peer Support & Assessment Programs**

American Institute for Conservation of Art & Historic Artifacts (AIC)

Home Page - [www.conservation-us.org/](http://www.conservation-us.org/)

Find A Conservator

<http://www.conservationus.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=Page.viewPage&pageId=495>

American Alliance of Museums

Home Page - [www.aam-us.org/](http://www.aam-us.org/)

Museum Assessment Program -

<http://aam-us.org/resources/assessmentprograms/MAP/assessment-types>

Heritage Preservation

Home Page - [www.heritagepreservation.org](http://www.heritagepreservation.org)

Conservation Assessment Program - <http://www.heritagepreservation.org/CAP/index.html>

### **Preservation Organizations – Local**

Delaware Valley Archivists Group - <http://beta.dvarchivists.org>

Philadelphia Museum Council - <http://philadelphiamuseumcouncil.com>

Philadelphia Area Conservation Association - <https://sites.google.com/site/pacaphiladelphia/>

Historical Society of Pennsylvania - <http://hsp.org/resources-for-small-archives>

Art Conservators Alliance - [www.ArtConservatorsAlliance.com](http://www.ArtConservatorsAlliance.com)

### **Preservation Organizations - International**

Canadian Conservation Institute – <http://www.cci-icc.gc.ca/>

The Getty Conservation Institute (GCI) - [www.getty.edu/conservation/](http://www.getty.edu/conservation/)

Image Permanence Institute - <https://www.imagepermanenceinstitute.org/>

International Centre/Preservation & Restoration of Cultural Property (ICCROM) - [www.iccrom.org/](http://www.iccrom.org/)

International Institute for Conservation of Historic & Artistic Works (IIC) - <http://iiconservation.org/>

### **Code of Ethics & Policies**

American Alliance of Museums - [www.aam-us.org/](http://www.aam-us.org/)

Society of American Archivists - [www.archivists.org/](http://www.archivists.org/)

American Library Association - [www.ala.org/](http://www.ala.org/)

### **Funding**

Institute of Museums and Library Services - [www.imls.gov/](http://www.imls.gov/)

National Endowment for the Humanities - <http://www.neh.gov/grants>

### **Art Conservation Training Programs**

State University College at Buffalo: [artconservation.buffalostate.edu/](http://artconservation.buffalostate.edu/)

Winterthur/University of Delaware: [www.artcons.udel.edu/](http://www.artcons.udel.edu/)

### **Videos of Conservation**

Smithsonian - <http://americanart.si.edu/conservation/video/index.cfm>

Smithsonian - <http://americanart.si.edu/lunder/index.cfm>