



MAKING HISTORY

A VISION FOR THE NEW MERCER MUSEUM

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A NEWSLETTER INFORMING THE SPECIAL FRIENDS AND LEADERS OF THE MERCER MUSEUM'S CAPITAL CAMPAIGN EXPANSION PROJECT



PERSPECTIVE VIEW
MERCER MUSEUM, THE BUCKS COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY



An expansion plan set firmly on the past is the driving force behind the Mercer

Museum's \$10 million Capital Campaign. *Making History...A Vision for the New Mercer Museum* is well on its way as the organization surpassed the \$4 million mark to fund new facilities that will accommodate state-of-the-art exhibitions aimed at encouraging visitors to return regularly to the Bucks County Historical Society's Mercer Museum.

"We have many visitors who feel that once they've been here, they've seen it all and there is nothing to lure them back," stated former Congressman James C. Greenwood, Chairman of the Campaign. "This Campaign will change that by providing *ever-changing exhibits* and experiences for visitors to return again and again," added Greenwood.



FLOOR PLAN
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The expansion will feature a new 3,500 Square Feet Changing Exhibits Gallery that will permit the Museum to present major new exhibits, drawn from the Mercer's own extensive holdings, which we repeatedly loan to major museums across the United States, and from national traveling exhibits (including the Smithsonian Institute). With its comfortable, climate-controlled environment and high-quality lighting systems, the gallery will offer visitors of all ages a wide range of new and exciting experiences, complementing the Museum's original core.

Additionally, a 1,000 Square Feet Multi-Flex Learning Center will triple the space presently available for programs. This new facility will accommodate school programs, family workshops, and adult classes, and feature up-to-date audio-visual resources. The expanded Mercer Museum will provide enhanced Visitor Services including welcoming, wayfinding, and visitor amenities. Modernized parking facilities will accommodate 70 cars—enhancing visitor accessibility and safety while preserving our community's green space.

Mercer Museum, Bucks County Historical Society, 84 S. Pine St., Doylestown, PA 18901

The successfully transformed Mercer Museum will be achieved through *leadership and support* from people who have a deep appreciation for the Mercer Museum and who understand the importance of what we are building. “We have been fortunate to receive significant funds from close friends and Museum supporters,” said Douglas Dolan, BCHS Executive Director. “These supporters share our vision and they are determined to see this project through completion. They know this is critical for the future of the Museum and its ability to thrive and meet the demands of new museum audiences.”

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REACHING OUT TO OUR COMMUNITY



We have hosted a series of outreach and cultivation receptions to let our friends tell their friends about our exciting project. We are planning our next “information sharing” event at the end of May and we hope to see you there. If you would like us to invite someone on your behalf, please call Susan DeLuca, Capital Campaign Coordinator of the Mercer Museum, 215-345-0210, ext. 129.

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Please contact us with any questions, thoughts, suggestions you may have regarding our Making History Capital Campaign at 215-345-0210; Douglas Dolan ext. 134/ Susan DeLuca ext. 129/ Laura Biersmith ext. 142.

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