## President's Letter



## Dear readers,

As spring warms up, many of us are getting ready to travel to New Orleans for AAM's 2019 Annual Meeting and Museum Expo – which means so many ways to connect with colleagues. NAME volunteers have been busy, working with the meetings team at AAM to fine-tune the program, reviewing scholarship applications and Excellence in Exhibition Competition entries, lining up activities for the Solutions Center, the luncheon, and more! As always, much of this is made possible by our sponsors. Please stop in to visit them in the Expo Hall and say thanks for their support of NAME activities, meet-ups, and events throughout the year, and most of all, for this publication.

Another update on NAME activities: each December, the leadership team holds a twoday retreat to review all of our programs, measure progress, and set new goals for the year to come. This year we kicked off a new initiative to articulate and strategize how, as a professional network of AAM, NAME can be more deliberate and intentional with our work in furthering diversity, equity, accessibility and inclusion (DIAE) in the field of museum exhibitions. I look forward to updating you about our progress and opportunities for you to participate.

Thanks once again to all of our authors, and to our editorial board and other volunteers for making this another tremendous issue. I hope to see you in New Orleans!

Sincerely,

**Penny Jennings** 

President

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