

**The Museum Group Conversations
Portland 2003**

Conversation topics and hosts

Monday May 19

9:00 - 10:30

Timeliness and Relevance. The role of museums in responding to current issues.

Elaine Heumann Gurian and Peggy Engel, Director, Newseum.

10:45 - 12:15

Up Close and Personal. Museums dealing with contemporary social and political issues.

Mac West and Carol Bossert.

1:00 - 2:30

Moving history from the dustbin to top of the mind.

Laura Roberts and Mary Kay Ingenthron.

2:45 - 4:15

Entrepreneurship. Panacea for museum financial woes?

Mary Kay Ingenthron and Anne Butterfield.

Tuesday May 20

9:00 -10:30

Permeable borderlines between museums and libraries.

Paul Richard and David Carr, Professor of Library and Information Science at UNC-Chapel Hill.

10:45 to 12:15

Building museums in the Middle East. The aspirations of people even during tense times.

Elaine Heumann Gurian and John Coppola, Exhibit Designer.