National Training Programme:
Introduction to Integrated Pest Management

Date 7 September 2020
Time 1 – 4pm
Venue **National Museums Collection Centre**, West Granton Road, Edinburgh, EH5 1JA

Introduction to Integrated Pest Management

Course Description	Every museum should be aware of the threat which pests can pose to museum collections. It is possible, however, with responsible action on the part of all museum staff, to minimise the risk of damage to objects. This workshop will improve participants' general awareness of the damage insects and other pests can cause to collections and show how all staff can help to prevent serious damage. It will also suggest how museum professionals can implement good procedures such as object quarantine and a pest monitoring and management programme to achieve responsible collections management. The workshop will concentrate on offering practical advice, sharing National Museums Scotland's practice through case studies and providing information on sources and networks for further advice. There will be time throughout the day to meet colleagues and share information. Subjects covered will include: • What is pest management? • What is a pest? • Types of objects that can be damaged by insects • The most common insects likely to cause damage to collections • Evidence of damage to objects caused by insects • National Museums Scotland's quarantine procedures • How to prevent insect infestation • Setting up an integrated pest management programme Participants are welcome from any type of collecting organisation. The course is not aimed at staff with in-depth knowledge of the subject area. Priority will be given to staff members who can immediately implement the knowledge gained in their organisation.
Outcomes	Participants should gain knowledge of: • How to identify common insect pests • How to recognise and respond to an insect problem • How to prevent insect infestation • How and why to quarantine objects
Course Leader	Katie Haworth, Preventive Conservator
Cost	Free of charge
No of participants	12
Venue	National Museums Collection Centre

To book a place on this event please visit our Eventbrite page for online booking.
Workshop contact: Fiona Thornton, National and International Partnerships Officer,
f.thornton@nms.ac.uk or 0131 247 4024