

This was a year to remember for the Fairbanks Museum. From a new layout and lighting for the Museum, through Dinosaur, Butterfly and Extinct Vermont exhibits, a Solar Installation and new Collections Facility, 2015 was momentous. Of course, as we moved the institution forward, we continued to provide awe-inspiring experiences for students and visitors, and vital meteorological information to listeners and viewers. Through it all, the Fairbanks Museum remains your Museum. We hope we'll see you often in 2016.

The Fairbanks Museum inspires wonder, curiosity and responsibility for the natural world.



David Macaulay draws Extinct Vermont

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Franklin Fairbanks Award Honors Senator Patrick Leahy (Harrison Creative photo)

Dinosaurs Leave a Lasting Impression (Cedarbrook Studio photo)

Elizabeth Kolbert leads a tour through extinctions (Cedarbrook Studio photo)

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We gratefully welcomed the Glanz Collection of over 1,700 butterflies and moths in 2015.



FAIRBANKS MUSEUM & Planetarium





2015 FINANCIAL OPERATIONS

Revenues	\$698,163
Expenditures	\$1,053,555
Reimbursement for Project Overhead	\$205,056
Operating Income	(\$149,836)
Income from Investments	(\$23,978)
Net Income	(\$173,814)
Support from Investments	\$191,000
Net Surplus (Deficit)	\$17,185
Temporarily Restricted Funds, 1/1/2015	\$273,731
Funds Raised	\$504,196
Project Direct Costs	(\$372,320)
Project Overhead	(\$205,056)
Temporarily Restricted Funds, 12/31/2015	\$200,551
Permanently Restricted Funds, 1/1/2015	\$451,025
Donated to Eli Tripp Endowment	\$72,039
12/31/2015	\$523,064

WHAT BRINGS YOU TO THE FAIRBANKS MUSEUM?

Working with students at the Fairbanks Museum is total immersion education. Students work in a historical space in their own community and engage in their education in an authentic way. Working with the staff at the Fairbanks Museum allows my students to be students and scholars, as the education staff is engaged and in tune with student interests. The staff provides a balance of instruction and student ownership, allowing students to see themselves as stewards of education in our community.

—St. Johnsbury Academy Teacher

We come with our school to learn about stars and plants and water.

—4th Grade Student

Every year, our educators share their passion for the natural world with over 10,500 students in grades K – 8. Students come on field trips or as part of ongoing science learning programs. They leave with inspiration and ideas.

The Balch School nurtures a joy of learning and excitement about being outdoors.

—Balch Nature Preschool Parent

Our youngest naturalists are curious about mud, rocks, bugs and clouds ... we encourage them to be bold explorers of our natural world.

Home School Days offer flexibility and incredible learning for my family.

—Home School Parent

Monthly Home School Days invite students and their families to make use of our natural history collections, galleries and planetarium for an alternative approach to science learning.

INVESTING FOR NOW AND THE FUTURE

Collections Facility

We made an investment in 2015 to ensure the safe care and protection of our treasured collections for generations to come. A new collections facility will allow us to consolidate our collections under one roof so that experts can examine, catalogue, research and maintain thousands of objects.

Solar Panels

We installed an 11kw solar array to lessen our environmental footprint and realize long-term savings.

Lighting

We replaced all of 450 light fixtures in the Museum with LEDs realizing energy savings and reducing ultra-violet exposure to our collections.

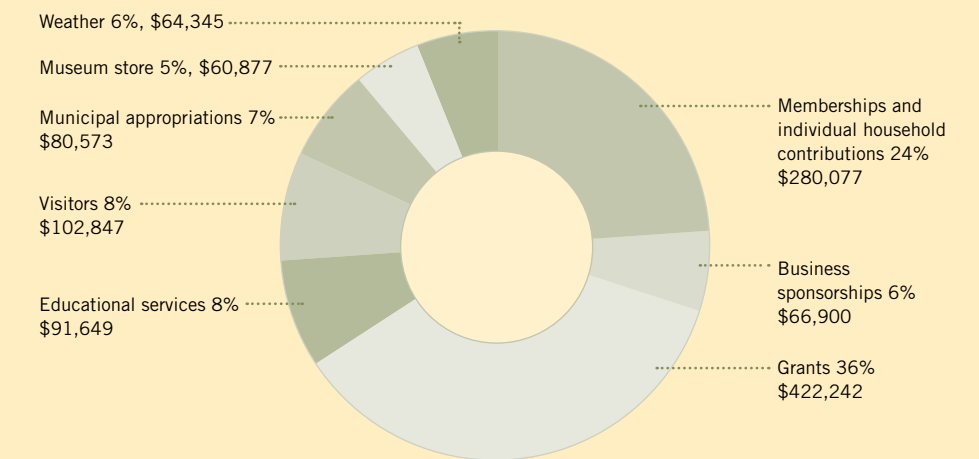
Making it happen

Our exhibits and programs reflect the care and attention you give them. Your support is a direct contribution to the excitement of discovery, investment in collections care, and overall awe that this Museum inspires.

2015 in numbers

- 31,430 guests from around the world
- 8,052 students in school classes
- 2,566 students on field trips
- 671 individuals contributing through memberships or annual gifts
- 28 business sponsors

CASH INFLOW



CASH OUTFLOW

