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**Department of Arkansas Heritage
Guidelines for Museum Hours of Operation**

The purpose of this rule is to establish guidelines for consistent hours of operation for all of the Department of Arkansas Heritage's (DAH) Museums. DAH seeks to have its museums accredited by the American Alliance of Museums (AAM). AAM accreditation is a standards-based assessment and recognition program designed to help museums carry out its public trust, collections stewardship, and educational roles. AAM accreditation recognizes a museum's commitment to meeting standards and professional practices.

DAH museums and their exhibits should be available to the public during reasonable hours and for regular periods with appropriate standards to ensure the health, safety, and accessibility of its visitors and personnel. These guidelines set forth the *minimum* days/times that DAH's AAM accredited museums and their exhibits will be open to the public: Tuesday – Friday 10am to 4:30pm and extended weekday and weekend hours at the discretion of the DAH Director. All sites may be closed on state holidays. DAH non-accredited museums and heritage sites will be open to the public during the hours designated by the DAH Director. Museum administrative offices will operate during regular state government business hours.