



**State of Rhode Island
Office of the Secretary of State**

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Division Of Business Services
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**Non-Profit Corporation
Articles of Incorporation**

(Chapter 7-6-34 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as amended)

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation is Museum of Fine Tribal Art

ARTICLE II

The period of its duration is X Perpetual

ARTICLE III

The specific purpose or purposes for which the corporation is organized are:

TO ESTABLISH AND OPERATE A NONPROFIT EDUCATIONAL MUSEUM DEDICATED TO THE COLLECTION, CONSERVATION, AND EXHIBITION OF FINE TRIBAL AND ETHNOGRAPHIC ART FROM AFRICA, ASIA, OCEANIA, AND THE AMERICAS. THE MUSEUM OF FINE TRIBAL ART WILL PROMOTE INTERCULTURAL UNDERSTANDING, HISTORICAL EDUCATION, AND GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP BY CURATING PUBLIC EXHIBITIONS, EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING, LECTURES, COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS, AND CULTURAL HERITAGE OUTREACH INITIATIVES.

THE MUSEUM SEEKS TO INSPIRE CURIOSITY ABOUT THE WORLD'S DIVERSE CULTURES, SUPPORT ACADEMIC RESEARCH AND MAKE RARE TRIBAL ART ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC THROUGH ROTATING EXHIBITIONS, PERMANENT DISPLAYS, AND TRAVELING EXHIBITS LOANED TO SCHOOLS, LIBRARIES, AND OTHER NONPROFIT INSTITUTIONS. IT WILL MAINTAIN A PERMANENT COLLECTION AND HOST TEMPORARY EXHIBITS TO ENGAGE THE PUBLIC, SCHOLARS, AND STUDENTS IN MEANINGFUL LEARNING EXPERIENCES CENTERED AROUND INDIGENOUS TRADITIONS, AESTHETICS, AND STORIES.

ADDITIONALLY, THE CORPORATION MAY ENGAGE IN FUNDRAISING, GRANT-WRITING, AND PARTNERSHIPS TO SUSTAIN OPERATIONS, PAY STAFF (INCLUDING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR), AND EXPAND ACCESS TO GLOBAL TRIBAL ART IN A NONPROFIT EDUCATIONAL FRAMEWORK.

ARTICLE IV

Provisions, if any, not inconsistent with the law, which the incorporators elect to set forth in these articles of incorporation for the regulation of the internal affairs of the corporation are:

THE CORPORATION SHALL HAVE A BOARD OF DIRECTORS WITH A MINIMUM OF THREE (3) MEMBERS.

NO PART OF THE NET EARNINGS OF THE CORPORATION SHALL INURE TO THE BENEFIT OF, OR BE DISTRIBUTABLE TO, ITS DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, OR OTHER PRIVATE PERSONS, EXCEPT THAT THE CORPORATION SHALL BE AUTHORIZED AND EMPOWERED TO PAY REASONABLE COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED AND TO MAKE PAYMENTS IN FURTHERANCE OF THE EXEMPT PURPOSES SET FORTH IN ARTICLE III.

UPON DISSOLUTION, ANY REMAINING ASSETS SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED TO ONE OR MORE ORGANIZATIONS RECOGNIZED AS TAX-EXEMPT UNDER SECTION 501(C)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE AND WHOSE PURPOSES ALIGN WITH THOSE OF THE MUSEUM OF FINE TRIBAL ART.

THE CORPORATION SHALL NOT ENGAGE IN ANY ACTIVITIES THAT WOULD DISQUALIFY IT FROM TAX-EXEMPT STATUS UNDER SECTION 501(C)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.

ARTICLE V

The street address (post office boxes are not acceptable) of the initial registered office of the corporation is:

No. and Street: 334 WICKENDEN ST.
APT 1F

City or Town: PROVIDENCE

State: RI

Zip: 02903

The name of its initial registered agent at such address is JUSTIN D. BIBEE

ARTICLE VI

The number of directors constituting the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation is 3 and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors are:

Title	Individual Name First, Middle, Last, Suffix	Address Address, City or Town, State, Zip Code, Country
DIRECTOR	JUSTIN D. BIBEE	334 WICKENDEN ST. PROVIDENCE, RI 02903 USA
DIRECTOR	YOUSRA BIBEE	334 WICKENDEN ST. PROVIDENCE, RI 02903 USA
DIRECTOR	DANA PARASCANDOLO	245 BYRON BLVD WARWICK, RI 02888 USA

ARTICLE VII

The name and address of the incorporator is:

Title	Individual Name First, Middle, Last, Suffix	Address Address, City or Town, State, Zip Code, Country
INCORPORATOR	JUSTIN D. BIBEE	334 WICKENDEN ST. PROVIDENCE, RI 02903 USA

ARTICLE VIII

Date when corporate existence is to begin 05/08/2025
(not prior to, nor more than 30 days after, the filing of these Articles of Incorporation)

Signed this 8 Day of May, 2025 at 8:05:24 AM by the incorporator(s). *This electronic signature of the individual or individuals signing this instrument constitutes the affirmation or acknowledgement of the signatory, under penalties of perjury, that this instrument is that individual's act and deed or the act and deed of the corporation, and that the facts stated herein are true, as of the date of the electronic filing, in compliance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 7-6.*

Enter signature(s) below.
JUSTIN D. BIBEE



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Gregg M. Amore, *Secretary of State*

I, GREGG M. AMORE, Secretary of State of the State of Rhode Island,

hereby certify that this document, duly executed in accordance with the provisions

of Title 7 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, as amended, has been filed in this

office on this day:

May 08, 2025 08:04 AM

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Gregg M. Amore". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Gregg M. Amore
Secretary of State

