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Niagara Aerospace Museum Announces New Executive Director

Lindsey Lauren Visser named to the role

Niagara Falls, New York - <u>The Niagara Aerospace Museum (</u>NiAM) announces the appointment of Lindsey Lauren Visser as the organization's new Executive Director.

Visser was selected as Executive Director as the organization looks toward its future growth. "It is an exciting time for the Niagara Aerospace Museum." said **Board President Don Erwin**, "We have big plans, and we feel confident Lindsey Lauren is the right person to lead our organization."

Visser is a historian and experienced nonprofit professional, having worked in several of the area's historical museums. A graduate of Canisius College and the University of Oxford with an MSt in Modern History, she most recently served as the Executive Director of the Italian Cultural Center. Visser was instrumental in the successful completion of their first capital campaign and was the driving force behind their administrative operations. During her tenure, she oversaw the installation of the CCI's anchor historical exhibit, expanded the membership program, and developed their award-winning public programming.

"Not only is Lindsey Lauren's nonprofit profit background a great fit for our organization, but her background as a historian will also be an asset to our exhibits, archive, and research facility," said **Board Vice President Allison O'Connor.**

In her new position, Visser will be responsible for implementing the Niagara Aerospace Museum's strategic plan, building community partnerships, and continuing to ensure the overall success of the mission. One of her first major projects will be NiAM's Solar Eclipse programming. **The museum is one of NASA's Sun Spot locations with special activities and programs from April 4th-7th.** A full schedule of events is available at NiagaraAerospaceMuseum.org/events/2024eclipse or on the Niagara Aerospace Museum Facebook page.

"I was blown away by the collection and depth of history," **said new Executive Director Lindsey Lauren Visser,** "It's an organization that has so much to offer the community, and it's an honor to be a part of the team guiding the museum into the future."

About the Niagara Aerospace Museum:

Niagara Aerospace Museum's mission is to preserve and share the rich heritage of and ongoing contributions to aviation and aerospace design and manufacturing in Western New York and to inspire and facilitate educational opportunities for learners of all ages in Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math (STEAM). We do this by making our collection and the stories and opportunities it represents accessible to the public. Our vision is to be a well-known destination for educators, students, researchers, and tourists for information about Western New York's aerospace contributions and the people involved in their design, manufacture, and testing. For more information visit https://NiagaraAerospaceMuseum.org

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