Field Museum Collections Access Form

We're glad to hear from you! Please read the information below then complete this form and email it to Helen Robbins, Director of Repatriation, at hrobbins@fieldmuseum.org or call with your visit request at (312) 665-7317. Collections visits can be scheduled Monday through Friday from 9:00am – 4:00pm. Complimentary parking and museum passes can be requested.

Please inform our staff if you have special needs or requests. We are committed to providing visitors with a safe and respectful visit. Private spaces are available for ceremonial practices and quiet areas for reflection. Please let our staff know if you would like time and space for private reflection. Photographs may be taken of items for personal use. You may bring tobacco or other small offerings to leave with the collection if you wish. Please bring any offerings in a bag so that they can be frozen for pest mitigation before it is placed with the items in storage.

For personal safety, we encourage visitors to wear nitrile gloves when handling collections. However, descendant community members are not required to wear them so long as the following risks are understood. Chemicals such as arsenic, DDT, chlordane, and carbon tetrachloride may have been applied to select objects in the past for pest control or preservation purposes. Objects consisting, in whole or in part, of organic materials such as fur, hair, skin, feathers, and plant materials are more likely to have been treated with these chemicals. Visitors assume all risks and potential hazards associated with handling collections objects.

I have read and understand the above statement regarding hazardous materials in the collections at the Field

Do you plan to leave offerings with items in the collection? \square Yes \square No