

# Taxidermy Online Resource & Bibliography

## Highlighted Online Resources

- ICON - Care and Conservation of Zoological Specimens  
[http://icon.org.uk/system/files/documents/care\\_and\\_conservation\\_of\\_zoological\\_specimens.pdf](http://icon.org.uk/system/files/documents/care_and_conservation_of_zoological_specimens.pdf)
- American Museum of Natural History (AMNH)
  - In Their True Colors: Developing New Methods for Recoloring Faded Taxidermy project blog <https://intheirtruecolors.wordpress.com/2014/04/23/introducing-the-recoloring-taxidermy-research-project/>
  - Natural Science Collections Conservation <http://www.amnh.org/our-research/natural-science-collections-conservation>
- Natural History Museum London, Conservation and Collections Care Unit
  - Standards in the care of skins and taxidermy collections  
<http://conservation.myspecies.info/node/32>
  - Bibliography for Skins and Taxidermy  
<http://conservation.myspecies.info/node/34>

## Museum Taxidermy Websites & Blogs

- American Museum of Natural History (AMNH)
  - Taxidermists, Artists Bring Aging Animals Back to Lifelike  
<http://www.wired.com/2012/09/amnh-museum-mammals-restoration/>
  - American Museum of Natural History's Temples of Taxidermy, Then and Now -  
<http://www.vocativ.com/gallery/culture/photos/behind-scenes-natural-history-museum/slide11/>
- Smithsonian's National Postal Museum blog, Preserving Owney -  
<http://postalmuseumblog.si.edu/owney/page/2/>
- Museum Victoria, Taxidermy conservation workshop -  
<http://museumvictoria.com.au/about/mv-blog/mar-2014/taxidermy-conservation-workshop/>
- Horniman Museum & Gardens, Conserving our taxidermy blog -  
<http://www.horniman.ac.uk/collections/conserving-our-taxidermy>
- Natural Sciences Collections Associations (NATSCA), Conservation of Historic Taxidermy  
<https://naturalsciencelibrary.wordpress.com/2014/02/20/bill-pettit-memorial-project-conservation-of-historic-taxidermy/>

## Taxidermist Website

- Wildlife Preservations - <http://wildlifepreservations.com/>

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[A.M. Art Conservation, LLC](#) and [Wildlife Preservations](#)

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## History of Taxidermy

- The British Historical Taxidermy Society - <http://www.britishhistoricaltaxidermysociety.co.uk/>
- University College London Museums & Collections Blog -  
<http://blogs.ucl.ac.uk/museums/2013/07/09/life-stilled/>

## Taxidermy Storage

- Storage Techniques for Art, Science & History Collections (type taxidermy into the site's search bar) - [www.STASHc.com](http://www.STASHc.com)
- Storage Methods for Taxidermy Specimens, 1992. WAAC Newsletter, Vol. 14:2  
<http://cool.conservation-us.org/waac/wn/wn14/wn14-2/wn14-205.html>

## Taxidermy & Pest Control

- Connecting to Collections Care Webinars
  - Stressed About Pests? Prevention, Monitoring, & Identification  
<http://www.connectingtocollections.org/ipm/part1/>
  - Stressed About Pests? Treating Infestations  
<http://www.connectingtocollections.org/ipm/part2/>
- Journal of the American Institute for Conservation (JAIC). Lisa Goldberg, 1996. *A History of Pest Control Measures in the Anthropology Collections, National Museum Of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution.* Vol. 35, 1:3.
- Canadian Museum of Nature Blog, No Food, No Drink, No Pests -  
<https://canadianmuseumofnature.wordpress.com/2012/05/31/no-food-no-drink-no-pests/>
- UK Museum Curator's blog - <https://curatoriality.wordpress.com/>

## Taxidermy & Disaster Recovery

- Museum SOS, Case study of the Lundy Collection of taxidermy animal trophies -  
[http://www.museum-sos.org/docs/strat\\_post\\_fire.pdf](http://www.museum-sos.org/docs/strat_post_fire.pdf)
- American Institute for Conservation wiki,
  - Stabilizing Wet Natural History Collections - [http://www.conservaction-wiki.com/wiki/Stabilizing\\_Wet\\_Natural\\_History\\_Collections](http://www.conservaction-wiki.com/wiki/Stabilizing_Wet_Natural_History_Collections)
  - Stabilizing Wet Skin and Leather - [http://www.conservaction-wiki.com/wiki/Stabilizing\\_Wet\\_Skin\\_and\\_Leather](http://www.conservaction-wiki.com/wiki/Stabilizing_Wet_Skin_and_Leather)
- Journal of the American Institute for Conservation (JAIC),
  - Sarah Spafford-Ricci, & Fiona Graham. *The Fire at The Royal Saskatchewan Museum, Part 2: Removal Of Soot From Artifacts And Recovery Of The Building.* Volume 39, 1:3.

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<http://cool.conservation-us.org/jaic/articles/jaic39-01-003.html>

### Taxidermy Restoration

- Journal of the American Institute for Conservation (JAIC), Linda Nieuwenhuizen, 1998. *Synthetic Fill Materials for Skin, Leather, and Furs*. Vol. 37, 1:10 <http://cool.conservation-us.org/jaic/articles/jaic37-01-010.html>
- ICOM-CC Natural History Collections Working Group Newsletter, F. Ritchie, J. Thornton, A. Shugar, October 2012. *When Modern Materials Fail: Rehabilitation of a Taxidermy Orangutan from the Buffalo Museum of Science*. Issue No. 17. [http://www.academia.edu/3550966/\\_2012\\_When\\_Modern\\_Materials\\_Fail\\_Rehabilitation\\_of\\_a\\_Taxidermy\\_Orangutan\\_from\\_the\\_Buffalo\\_Museum\\_of\\_Science\\_Ritchie\\_Thornton\\_and\\_Shugar](http://www.academia.edu/3550966/_2012_When_Modern_Materials_Fail_Rehabilitation_of_a_Taxidermy_Orangutan_from_the_Buffalo_Museum_of_Science_Ritchie_Thornton_and_Shugar)

### Health & Safety

- AIC Wiki, Pesticide Residues and Staff Protection [http://www.conservation-wiki.com/w/images/6/67/H%2626S\\_Presentation-Pesticide\\_Residues\\_and\\_Staff\\_Protection.pdf](http://www.conservation-wiki.com/w/images/6/67/H%2626S_Presentation-Pesticide_Residues_and_Staff_Protection.pdf)
- Arsenic test strips - <http://www.amazon.com/SEOH-Indicator-Arsenic-Quantofix-Analytical/dp/B0089PLYGM>
- Test method adapted from Odegaard, N., Carroll, S. and Zimtt, W.S., Material Characterization Tests for Objects of Art 2nd Edition, Archetype Books, 2007.