The Watts Museum is developing an exhibit titled *Core Selections: Highlights of the Oil and Gas Industry from West Virginia Museums*. This exhibit will feature an array of petroleum-related artifacts borrowed from museums, historical societies, and similar organizations in West Virginia.

*Core Selections* will address why these artifacts are historically significant to the regional oil and gas industry and the socio-economic development of the Mountain State. The exhibit will also feature information about each organization (its mission, history, location, etc.) that loans artifacts for display at the Watts Museum. Lenders will be promoted on social media and other publicity materials.

**ADDITIONAL DETAILS**

- **Exhibit Dates**: October 2023 to May 2024.
- The Watts Museum will pick up and return borrowed artifacts to your organization.
- The Watts Museum will prepare a loan agreement for your organization that outlines the terms of each artifact loan, including precautions for keeping the artifacts safe and undamaged.
- Artifacts may be two- or three-dimensional.
- The Watts Museum is interested in borrowing oil and gas artifacts that:
  - help tell a **compelling, accurate history** of our state’s industrialization.
  - made an **important impact** on the oil and gas industry.
  - uniquely represent a **local area**.
  - reveal **forgotten or untold stories** about the oil/gas industry and its workers.

If your organization would like to participate in *Core Selections* by lending artifacts for display, please fill out our submission form at [https://forms.gle/X2spH7KyZYuf94BK8](https://forms.gle/X2spH7KyZYuf94BK8) or complete and return the form on the next page by **August 15**.
ARTIFACT SUBMISSION FORM
CORE SELECTIONS: Highlights of the Oil and Gas Industry from West Virginia Museums

Name of Organization: ____________________________________________________________

Contact Person: _______________________________________________________________________

Phone: _____________________________________________________________________________

Email: ______________________________________________________________________________

List one to three artifacts that your organization would like to feature in Core Selections.

Please return this form, along with a photograph of each artifact listed, by August 15, 2023 to:

- wattsmuseum@mail.wvu.edu; or
- Watts Museum, PO Box 6070 Morgantown, WV 26506

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