Bio

Alex received her undergraduate degree in Elementary Education from the University of Mississippi in 1990 and her graduate degree in Educational Psychology from the University of Memphis in 1996. While attending graduate school, she began working part-time for the Pink Palace Museum, and she has been working as the Manager of Education there since July 1994. Alex’s primary focus is teaching Pre-K through 8th grade Natural History and Cultural History. Alex is also involved in teacher professional development programs, including the MESSENGER Educator Fellowship Program, a professional development initiative in which Alex has conducted 35 workshops to train 700 teachers across the nation on NASA’s MESSENGER mission to Mercury. She has also presented on a variety of topics at numerous regional and state conferences, including the Memphis Organization of Science Teachers (MOST), Unity in Science, the Tennessee Science Teachers Association (TSTA), and the Mississippi Science Teachers Association (MSTA). She is also involved in several individual school and pre-service programs. Her approach to teaching—whether to students, teachers, or the general public—is wonderfully captured in her personal teaching slogan “Lively Learning for All!”