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NEW EPISODE OF TIMELY TIPS!
Timely Tips: Museum Audiences

Why do people visit museums? How do we make sure our visitors have the best experience at our site? Check out this short video to learn about museum audiences and how we can provide excellent visitor service.
Look for a new episode of Timely Tips every other Friday from now through July! Watch previous episodes of Timely Tips on our YouTube playlist.

Around Indiana

*Children Playing in Douglass Park, ca. 1950s* (Indianapolis Recorder Collection, Indiana Historical Society)

**NEWS**

A recently unveiled Indiana State Historical Marker commemorating [Crispus Attucks High School alumnus Felrath Hines Jr.](http://editor.ne16.com/...22d6c&m=4b26a89b-ca3a-4deb-83bc-2f375d2e607d&MailID=44912825&listid=110&RecipientID=22927187090[8/24/2023 10:28:20 AM]) will bring public attention to one of the nation’s top abstract artists. (My IPS)

The Allen County Public Library has [received two GEMmy Awards](http://editor.ne16.com/...22d6c&m=4b26a89b-ca3a-4deb-83bc-2f375d2e607d&MailID=44912825&listid=110&RecipientID=22927187090[8/24/2023 10:28:20 AM]) for the Genealogy Center and the Rolland Center for Lincoln Research from the Midwest Travel Writers Association. (The Journal Gazette)

To commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Wabash County Museum, see *100 Artifacts in 100 Days to Celebrate 100 Years* online or in person.

**IN-PERSON EVENTS AND EXHIBITS**

PLEASE NOTE: For in-person programs, please check with the hosting organization regarding any COVID-19 restrictions and/or requirements.

**Author Talk: David Chrisinger**

*June 17, La Porte* – David Chrisinger, author of *The Soldier's Truth: Ernie Pyle and the Story of World War II*, will discuss his unprecedented research into the famous Hoosier journalist. (La Porte County Historical Society Museum)

**Open House: Ward Township, District No. 5 School House**

*June 17, Ridgeville* – See the restored one-room school house and enjoy homemade ice cream and food. (Friends of the Ward Township, District No. 5 School House)

**Juneteenth Celebration Documentary Screenings**

*June 19, Elkhart* – Three screenings will feature *What Happened at Benham West: African American Stories of Community, Displacement, and Hope*. The 6 p.m. screening will also include a panel discussion. (Ruthmere)

**Black Heritage Juneteenth Art Show and Concert**

*June 19, Indianapolis* – Indiana Landmarks’ Black Heritage Preservation Program is honoring Juneteenth with a concert and art show featuring local talent. $25; $20 members. (Indiana Landmarks)

**Conversations In Indiana African American History and Culture**

*June 22, Indianapolis* – Leon Bates, military veteran and urban historian, will discuss Early Black Indiana, and the lynching of John Tucker. (Freetown Village; event held at the Madam Walker Legacy Center)

**First Ladies, First! Meet Abigail Adams and Martha Washington**

*June 25, Syracuse* – Reenactment actors from the American Historical Theatre will play Martha Washington and Abigail Adams. The annual Patriotic Pops concert will begin after the program at Lake Wawasee. (Chautauqua Wawasee)

**Canal Days Festival**

*July 1, Delphi* – Enjoy boat rides, see the pioneer village, explore local vendors, and more. (Canal Center)

**New Exhibits at the Historical Society of Decatur County**

*Opening July 4, Greensburg* – Early 20th century clothing will be on display in the North and South Parlors, and the "High Schools of Decatur County" exhibit will be in the Gallery. (Historical Society of Decatur County Museum)

**INconversation with Robin Wall Kimmerer**

*July 12, Indianapolis* – This special INconversation with author Robin Wall Kimmerer will feature a reading followed by a moderated conversation. Free. (Indiana Humanities; event held at Eiteljorg Museum)

**TRAVELING EXHIBITS**

*Indiana organizations can borrow professional-quality traveling exhibits from the Indiana Historical Society. You can visit exhibits at the sites below. Please check with the hosting organization regarding any on-site COVID-19 restrictions.*
Endangered Heritage
Through July 16, Seymour (Seymour Museum)

Indiana Disasters
Through July 16, Scottsburg (Scott County Heritage Center and Museum)

FROM THE BLOG
Sliding Into Summer: Playground Equipment of Old
Take a look at some of the contraptions that were commonplace in the parks of yesteryear.

UPCOMING EVENTS
An Afternoon of Celebration with Thomas & The Situation
June 17 – Celebrate Black culture and music with us as part of downtown events commemorating Juneteenth and African American Music Appreciation Month with Thomas & The Situation, a unique group of singers and musicians lead by Jeffery Thomas II, all originally from Indianapolis.

Concerts on the Canal – Jennie DeVoe
June 22 – Reserve a table on the Terrace or bring your own chair or blanket and sit on the grassy areas along the Central Canal, if available. The History Center is free on Thursdays during concert season and is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Chuck Taylor Family Day
June 24 – Celebrate Chuck Taylor’s 122nd birthday with crafts, a free throw bonanza, and more!

What We're Reading This Week
RESOURCES AND NEWS FROM THE FIELD

AASLH has issued the 2023 National Visitation Report that analyzes trends in visitation at history organizations of all types and sizes across the United States.

Can a national museum rebuild its collection without colonialism? A look at how the curators at the National Museum of Brazil are adopting a radical new approach after a fire destroyed thousands of Indigenous artifacts. (New York Times Magazine)

A new Erie Canal Resource Hub shares virtual tours, lesson plans, document-based questions, and more. (Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor)

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSION

Advancing DEAI in a polarized world. (AAM)

A resource list for learning about LGBTQ+ spaces through mapping and context statements. (National Trust for Historic Preservation)

AUDIENCE & COMMUNITY

How to craft effective post-event survey questions. (Classy)
FUNDRAISING
130+ awesome fundraising ideas: contests, raffles, challenges & more! (Wild Apricot)

LEADERSHIP & PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT
Fun ways to network as a newbie. (Harvard Business Review)
The surprisingly simple strategy to magically transform how you work. (Clairification)

NEED A BREAK?
How we came to play: The interesting history of playgrounds. And did you know the earliest swing sets may date back as far as 1450 BC? (National Trust for Historic Preservation; Backyard Discovery)

10 types of crazy old playground equipment (and some modern-day equivalents). (Park N Play Design)

Some of the world’s coolest playgrounds today! (Active Cities)

Learning Opportunities

Flanner House Playground, n.d. (Indiana Historical Society, M0513)

FREE WEBINARS & VIRTUAL LEARNING
Understanding the Feelings and Perspectives of Museum Personnel and Visitors
June 20 – Learn about the benefits of empathy interviews, best practices for conducting them, and practical tips for getting started. (Committee on Audience Research and Evaluation)

Discovering Our Ancestors and Preserving Historic Gravesites: Beginning to Care for a Gravesite
June 21 – Staff from the National Trust for Historic Preservation and the National Parks Service will provide insight into the current state of the field of cemetery preservation. (National Trust for Historic Preservation)

Collaboration Between Museums and Indigenous Partners
June 22 – Learn how one natural science museum worked collaboratively with an Indigenous Advisory Group composed of artists, teachers, and educators to open a new exhibition. (Texas Historical Commission)

Picking Favorites: Strategies for Determining Salvage Priorities
June 22 – Learn about different strategies for determining salvage priorities both before and after an emergency. (CCAHA)

Tribal Collaboration, Sovereignty, and Methodology: An Ndee (Apache) Perspective
June 29 – Learn what terms like “sovereignty” mean to Tribal Nations, and how Tribes are asserting their own forms of sovereignty, leading to better understandings of Indigenous pasts, present, and futures. (Texas Historical Commission)

VIRTUAL TRAINING
Digital Preservation Storage 101
June 20 – Learn about requirements for storage environments as well as several affordable and scalable options to meet small and mid-size organization's needs for storage. $45. (NEDCC)

NAGPRA Needs Assessment and Strategic Planning
June 21 and 28 – During this two-part workshop, participants will begin to identify Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) implementation needs and develop a plan to further compliance. $30; $20 members. (New England Museum Association)

Strengthening History Communication: Reframing the Value of History and Your Institution
June 26 – This half-day virtual workshop will help history practitioners at institutions of all types and sizes learn how to communicate about their work more effectively. $200; $100 members. (AASLH)

REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS
The National Council on Public History invites proposals for an NCPH-sponsored Poster Session at the 2023 AASLH Annual Conference in Boise, Idaho. The proposal deadline has been extended to June 23. (NCPH and AASLH)
FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES SPOTLIGHT

Connecting Communities Digital Initiative Grant
Due Sept. 7 (optional draft due June 30) – This grant provides support to libraries, archives, and museums that use Library of Congress materials to create projects that center one or more of the following groups: Black, Indigenous, Hispanic or Latino, Asian American and Pacific Islander, and/or other communities of color in the U.S. (Library of Congress)

UPCOMING DEADLINES

Public Impact Projects at Smaller Organizations
Due June 28 (NEH)

Cinnamon Catlin-Legutko Memorial Scholarship to Attend the AASLH Annual Conference
Due June 30 (AASLH)

The Winning Grant Proposal Competition
Due June 30 (GrantStation)

Grants for Arts Projects
Due July 6 (National Endowment for the Arts)

History of Equal Rights Grant Program
Due July 11 (National Park Service)

Humanities Collections and Reference Resources Grants
Due July 18 (NEH)
Local & Regional Job Openings

In Brookside Park, May 30, 1901 (Indiana Historical Society, P0236)

LOCAL

The Indiana Historical Society is hiring!
See open positions here.

Black Film Center and Archive Project Archivist
Bloomington – The Media School at Indiana University

REGIONAL

Museum Education Coordinator
Council Bluffs, Iowa – The Union Pacific Railroad Museum

Curator of African American Collections
Louisville, Ky. – The Filson Historical Society

Michigan History Day Manager
Lansing, Mich. – Historical Society of Michigan

Director of Preservation
Cleveland, Ohio – Cory United Methodist Church

Manuscripts Archivist
Columbus, Ohio – Ohio History Connection
Registrar
Nashville, Tenn. – Cheekwood Estate & Gardens

Archivist 2 – Description and Access
Nashville, Tenn. – Tennessee Secretary of State

Historic Preservation Tax Credit Project Reviewer
Madison, Wis. – Wisconsin State Historic Preservation Office

Request for Letters of Interest – The National Council on Public History seeks a qualified historian (or team of historians) to conduct an Administrative History of the Civil War Defenses of Washington (CWDW)

INTERNSHIPS
H. F. Boehl Summer Internship
Louisville, Ky. – The Filson Historical Society

Orphans Corner
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