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Updates from Local History Services

Indianapolis Times Marble Contest, 1941 (Indiana Historical Society, P0569)
HERITAGE SUPPORT MINI GRANT APPLICATIONS DUE SEPT. 5

Mini Grants of up to $4,999 are available for Indiana’s local history organizations to meet high-priority needs in areas of Collections Stewardship, Diversity, Equity, Access and Inclusion, Sustainability, and Planning. Heritage Support Grants are provided by the Indiana Historical Society and made possible by Lilly Endowment Inc.

Learn more and apply by Sept. 5.

Around Indiana

Machine Shop #1, Looking North, 1919 (Indiana Historical Society, P0349)

NEWS

A new initiative, Military Monuments and Museums IN Indiana, was launched on July 3 with a website where people can learn about Indiana’s military history and numerous locations around the state that showcase it. (Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch and the Indiana Destination Development Corporation)

Hendricks Commercial Properties has won Indiana Landmarks’ 2023 Cook Cup for Outstanding Restoration for its transformation of the former Coca-Cola Bottling Plant into the centerpiece of the Bottleworks District. (WTHR)

Applications are due July 12 for the 2023-2024 Indiana State Historical Markers. Full and partial funding is available through a grant from the William G. Pomeroy Foundation. (Indiana
Applications are due July 13 for the PreservINg Main Street program. The selected community will be eligible for implementation funds of up to $2 million through OCRA’s Community Development Block Grant program, as well as additional capacity building opportunities. (Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs)

IN-PERSON EVENTS AND EXHIBITS

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

**Pop-up Exhibit to Celebrate the 177th La Porte County Fair**
Through July 15, La Porte – See items and posters from past La Porte County Fairs. (La Porte County Historical Society Museum)

**T.R.A.I.N. Display**
July 7-15, Fort Wayne – Throughout the Three Rivers Festival, see an impressive model train show that highlights Fort Wayne’s history.

**Back to the Future: A Mid-Century Modern Home Tour**
July 8, Indianapolis – The 2023 tour features five Indianapolis homes built in the 1950s, including one repurposed as an events center. $20; discounts for members. (Indiana Modern; Indiana Landmarks)

**Indiana State Library Summer Lecture Series – DNA Workshop**
July 8, Indianapolis – Join Central Indiana DNA Interest Group for an introductory DNA workshop. (Indiana State Library)

**Living History at the Farmhouse**
July 8, Paoli – See a Civil War muster, meet Lew Wallace, enjoy guided farmhouse tours, heritage activities, and more. (Historic Thomas Elwood Lindley House, Orange County Historical Society)

**Annual Ice Cream Social**
July 9, Knox – Celebrate summer with free ice cream and cookies, demonstrations, and music. (Starke County Historical Society)

**Follow the Pipes**
July 11-13, Fort Wayne – Visit pipe organs at seven locations in Fort Wayne, with performances by outstanding organists at each site. (The History Center and American Guild of Organists)

**Book Launch – Placing History: An African American Landmark Tour of South Bend, Indiana**
July 11, South Bend – Join in-person or online to learn about oral histories that were quoted in the book and hear stories from community members. (Civil Rights Heritage Center)

**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)

**3rd Annual Pottery Fair**
July 15, Elkhart – See local artists working at pottery wheels, enjoy free coffee and music, and more. (Ruthmere)
**INconversation with Tess Gunty**

**July 17, Indianapolis** – Celebrate the paperback release of the National Book Award-winning novel, *The Rabbit Hutch*, by Indiana author Tess Gunty. (Indiana Humanities; event held at Indiana Landmarks)

**Genealogy Workshop**

**July 21, Frankfort** – Genealogists may use all the research resources available at the library as well as the library editions of Ancestry, HeritageQuest, Fold3, and Newspapers.com. Genealogy staff will be on-hand to answer questions and to give suggestions for getting past those brick walls. (Frankfort Community Public Library)

**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.*

**Faces of the Civil War**
Through Aug. 3, Indianapolis ([Global Village Welcome Center](http://www.globalvillageindy.org/))

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**Indiana Historical Society Spotlight**

**FROM THE BLOG**

*“Attucks was Ours,” the Championship Team that Broke Barriers*

Read about the historic time when Crispus Attucks High School would change Indiana basketball forever.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Concerts on the Canal – Groove Essential**

**July 13** – 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.

**Trivia on the Canal: Indiana Territory History**

**July 14** – Join us for three exciting rounds of themed history trivia. The theme for July is Indiana Territory History!

**Author Talk and Signing – Sydney Pollack: A Subliminal Existentialist**

**July 15** – Grab your ticket for a backstage pass to learn more about Hoosier Hollywood legend Sydney Pollack with award-winning author, film historian and professor Wes D. Gehring.

**Indy’s Premier Bourbon Celebration**

**July 28** – Enjoy all the exhibits at the History Center while sampling renowned spirits and learning more about the fine art of distilling.

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**What We're Reading This Week**
Uncut Diamonds Used at the Marmon Plant to Insure Accuracy in the Fit of Engine Bearings, ca. 1920
(Indiana Historical Society)

RESOURCES AND NEWS FROM THE FIELD
America’s invitation: A message from America250. (AASLH)

Chatting with ChatGPT: A‘l’s perceptions of oral history. (Oral History Review)

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSION
Removing the roadblocks that first-generation Americans face at work. (Harvard Business Review)

AUDIENCE & COMMUNITY
Your complete guide to word-of-mouth for superior volunteer recruitment. (VolunteerPro)

FUNDRAISING
Nonprofit how-to: Creating a donation receipt. (Classy)

What are the most profitable fundraisers? 24 ideas + 8 top tips! (Wild Apricot)

LEADERSHIP & PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT
How to stay engaged at work (without burning out). (Harvard Business Review)

NEED A BREAK?
Find out the real history behind the Archimedes Dial in ‘Indiana Jones and the Dial of Destiny.’ (Smithsonian Magazine)

The medieval thieves who used cats, apes, and tortoises as accomplices. (Atlas Obscura)

A fascinating set of board games from the 18th to the early 20th century traces ideas of progress across time. (Public Domain Review)

Learning Opportunities

FREE WEBINARS & VIRTUAL LEARNING

School 27 Chess Team, 1984 (Indianapolis Recorder Collection, Indiana Historical Society)
Social Media 101 for Nonprofits
July 11 – Learn about the basics of using social media for your nonprofit, plus handy tips for the “big 3:” Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn. (Firespring)

Active Shooter Preparedness
July 12 – This training webinar was created by the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) to enhance awareness of, and response to, an active shooter incident. (Texas Historical Commission)

The Grantsmanship Game: Playing to Win
July 13 – Learn the five best practices which are essential for healthy, authentic, sustainable grants success in challenging times. (GrantStation)

Care of Tin-Mercury Amalgam Mirrors
July 19 – This webinar will highlight current practices for the safe handling and preventive conservation of these objects, as well as how to manage the risks posed by these objects while allowing for their exhibition. (Connecting to Collections Care)

VIRTUAL TRAINING
Sustainability, Relevance, and the Future of Historic House Museums
July 11-12 – This Virtual Summit will examine what makes a historic site not only sustainable but relevant in 2023 and beyond. $99; $85 members. (AASLH)

Interpreting the U.S. 250th at Your Site: Workshop Your Ideas
July 19 – This webinar is part of a three-part series that offers best practices in interpretive planning, connections to fieldwide themes for the 250th, and the chance to brainstorm your ideas with fellow practitioners. (AASLH)

REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS
The National Council on Public History and Utah Division of State History/Utah Historical Society jointly seek proposals for the 2024 annual meeting, to be held April 10-13, 2024 at the Hilton Salt Lake City. Proposals are due July 15.

Funding Available
FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES SPOTLIGHT

Public Humanities Projects Grants
Due Aug. 9 – This program supports projects that bring the ideas of the humanities to life for general audiences through public programming. Funding is available for projects in three categories (Exhibitions, Historic Places, and Humanities Discussions), and at two funding levels (Planning and Implementation). (NEH)

UPCOMING DEADLINES

National Humanities Conference Equitable Access Grants
Due July 8 (Federation of State Humanities Councils)

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

**LOCAL**

**Building and Grounds Manager** (Part Time)
Auburn – Auburn Cord Duesenberg Automobile Museum

**Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act Specialist**
Muncie – Ball State University Applied Anthropology Laboratories

**Community Preservation Specialist**
Richmond – Indiana Landmarks Eastern Regional Office

**REGIONAL**

**Video Oral History Processor/Publisher**
Chicago, Ill. – The HistoryMakers

**Arrangement and Description Archivist**
Lansing, Mich. – State of Michigan

**Executive Director**
Duluth, Minn. – St. Louis County Historical Society

**Ohio Memory Program Coordinator**
Communique Online

Columbus, Ohio – Ohio History Connection

Director of Collections Care and Access
Madison, Wis. – Wisconsin Historical Society Collections Division

Registrar
Madison, Wis. – Wisconsin Historical Society Collections Division

Museum Curator
Milwaukee, Wis. – Milwaukee County Historical Society

Orphans Corner

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