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Heritage Support Grants for Indiana History Organizations

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Updates from Local History Services



[Family of Nine Posed in Front of their Home. ca. 1900](#) (Indiana Historical Society, P0159)

HERITAGE SUPPORT MINI GRANT APPLICATIONS DUE TODAY, MARCH 29

Grants of up to \$4,999 are available. Projects must take place between May 20 and Sept. 30, 2024. This will be the only round of Heritage Support Grants offered this year. *Heritage Support Grants are provided by the Indiana Historical Society and made possible by Lilly Endowment Inc.*

Applications must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. on March 29. [Learn more and apply today!](#)

FREE VIRTUAL BROWN BAG

[The U.S. 250th: We the People](#)

April 24, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. (Eastern) – Join us on Zoom for a moderated panel discussion on the topic of “We the People.” The discussion will last approximately one hour, with an additional half hour for audience Q&A. [Register here.](#)

Around Indiana



[Flanner House Guild Tea, 1962](#) (Indianapolis Recorder Collection, Indiana Historical Society)

NEWS

Submissions are due April 5 for the [2024 Historic Preservation Month Photo Contest](#). (DNR Division of Historic Preservation & Archeology)

Nominations are due April 15 for the [Sandi Servaas Memorial Award](#), which recognizes

outstanding achievement in historic preservation. Self-nominations are welcome. (Indiana Landmarks)

Students in a [Kokomo High School history class partnered with the Howard County Historical Society](#) to create a history exhibit in their school. (Kokomo Tribune/Yahoo News)

The Civil Rights Heritage Center in South Bend [contributed collections items to a new initiative from JSTOR](#), "Behind the Scenes of the Civil Rights Movement." Learn more about the initiative [here](#). (IU South Bend)

A new [archival photo project](#) from the University Library at IUPUI focuses on the construction of some of the most historic buildings in Indianapolis. (WFYI)

59 farming families were recently presented with a [Hoosier Homestead Award](#) in recognition of their commitment to Indiana agriculture. (Indiana Department of Agriculture)

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.

[Marker Dedication: Camp Chesterfield](#)

March 30, Chesterfield – Join the dedication of a new state marker commemorating Camp Chesterfield in Madison County. (Indiana Historical Bureau)

[Fool Hardy History](#)

March 30, Fort Wayne – Fool Hardy History challenges the public to identify unusual or mysterious objects from the museum's 30,000 piece object collection. (The History Center)

[Exhibit: Punk @ the Old Library](#)

April 2-Sept. 28, Bloomington – From the Gizmos to the Smears, this retrospective exhibit features bands, artwork, venues, and labels from the '70s to the early 2000s. (Monroe County History Center)

[Gallery Talk: Refrigeration Before Refrigerators](#)

April 3, Elkhart – Learn about the history of ice harvesting and delivery. (Ruthmere)

[Talking Track with Curt Cavin and Paul Page](#)

April 4, Indianapolis – Curt Cavin, motorsports writer, and Paul Page, veteran broadcaster, chat about racing and track culture at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. (Indiana Landmarks)

[Eclipse Jennings County: "Total Eclipse of the Arts"](#)

April 5-8, Vernon – Enjoy arts programs, local history and cemetery tours, food, and an eclipse viewing party and picnic. (Eclipse Jennings County)

[DNA Q & A](#)

April 6, Frankfort – Biologist and Genetic Genealogist Robert Sliwinski will discuss DNA tests and genetic genealogy. (Frankfort Community Public Library)

[Total Solar Eclipse Community Weekend Tour Pass](#)

April 6-7, New Harmony – Five New Harmony organizations are partnering together to offer area visitors a special opportunity to explore the community's rich cultural and historical sites during the weekend before the Total Solar Eclipse. (University of Southern Indiana)

[A Performing Arts Theatre and a Civic Vision](#)

April 7, Fort Wayne – Miriam Morgan will share the history of how a need in the local arts

and culture sector produced a bold vision for a cultural district. (The History Center)

[Historic New Harmony's Total Solar Eclipse Fundraiser Watch Party](#)

April 8, New Harmony – Witness this dazzling celestial event on top of the internationally acclaimed Atheneum Visitors Center. (Historic New Harmony)

[In the Beginning and the Mounds](#)

April 7, Anderson – Madison County Historian Stephen T. Jackson will present "In the Beginning and the Mounds" as part of the 2024 First Sunday Presentations (Madison County Historical Society)

[Zionsville Train Depot Historic Plaque Dedication](#)

April 10, Zionsville – The dedication ceremony for a new historic plaque for the Zionsville Train Depot will be held at 10 a.m. at the entrance to the Nancy Burton Trailhead off Starkey Road. (SullivanMunce Cultural Center)

[Whitewater Canal Symposium and CSI Annual Meeting](#)

April 13, Connersville – The day will feature an exciting program lineup that explores the Whitewater valley, canal and railroad. (Canal Society of Indiana; event at the Fayette County Historical Museum)

[Spring Artisan Fair and Plow Day](#)

April 14, La Porte – Over 20 artisans will be at the Museum selling their unique pieces, and the La Porte County Draft Horse Association will demonstrate plowing the old fashioned way. (La Porte County Historical Society Museum)

[Exhibit Opening: Building a Foundation: 100 Years of Masonic Temple History](#)

April 18, Franklin – To celebrate the building's centennial, the Museum is opening a brand new exhibit about its history. (Johnson County Museum of History)

[Historic Trades Classes](#)

Various dates, April 19 to June 1, Delphi – Learn how to weave, cook, work wool, and much more from skilled artisans in a historic village setting. (Wabash and Erie Canal)

[Exhibit Opening: Calumet Voices, National Stories](#)

April 19, Hammond – Discover the Calumet region's hidden gems and spectacular sites. (Field Museum and the Calumet Heritage Area; exhibit at the Indiana Welcome Center)

[Inconversation with Dr. Tiya Miles](#)

April 25, Indianapolis – Dr. Tiya Miles is the award-winning author of *All That She Carried: The Journey of Ashley's Sack, a Black Family Keepsake*. (Indiana Humanities; event at the Eiteljorg Museum of American Indians and Western Art)

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.

Be Heard: Asian Experiences in Indiana

Through April 21, Indianapolis ([Irwin Library](#), [Butler University](#))

Who is a Hoosier

Through April 29, North Manchester ([Center for History](#))

Indiana Historical Society Spotlight

FROM THE BLOG

[Haute Hoosiers: Women's Fashion at the Indiana State Fair 4-H Dress Revue](#)

The Dress Revue at the Indiana State Fair was an opportunity for girls in 4-H to practice and display their sewing abilities.

[Don't Get Stuck in the Rain: Celebrating National Umbrella Month](#)

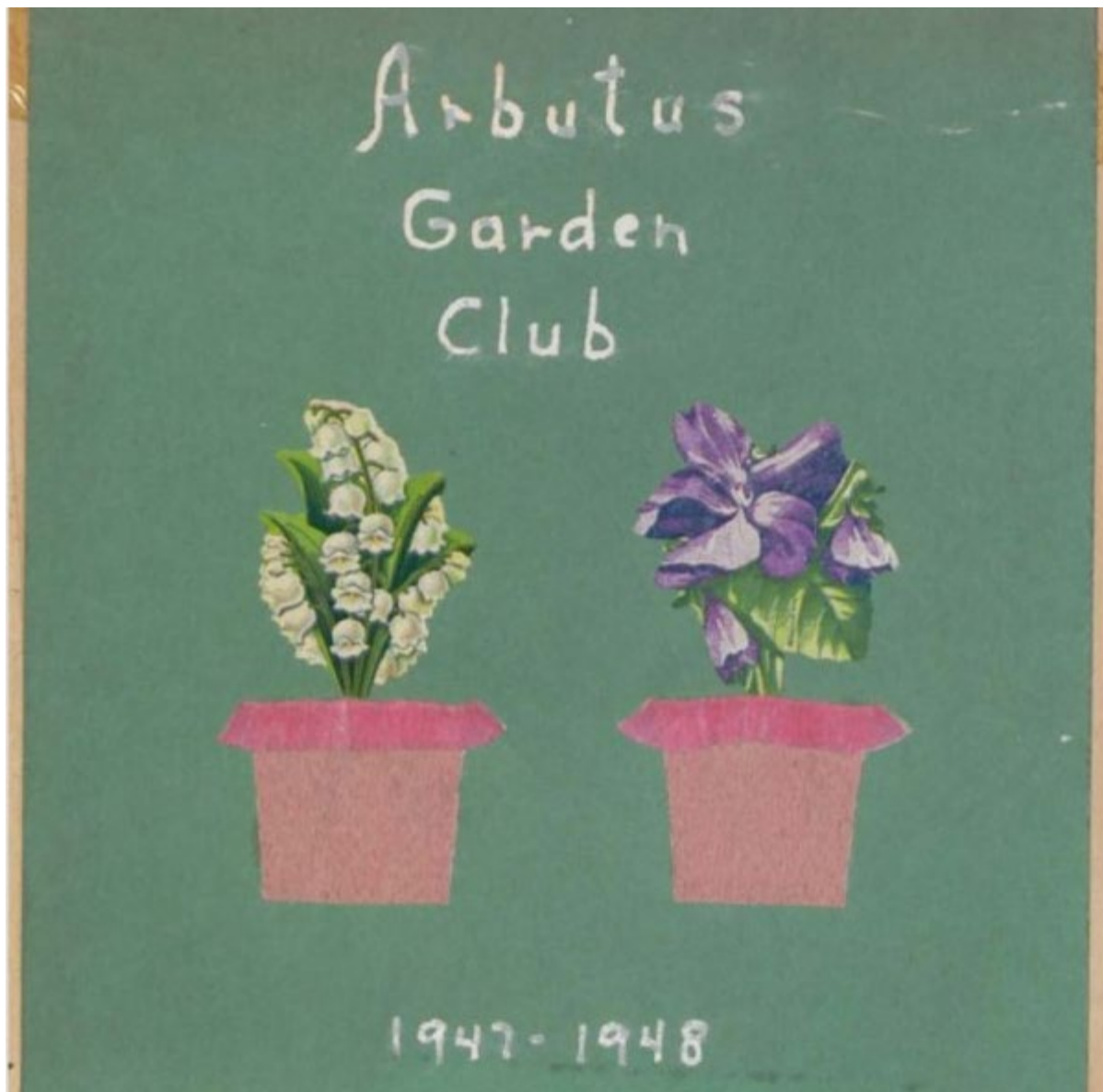
Take a jaunt through images of umbrellas in celebration of March's National Umbrella Month moniker.

UPCOMING EVENTS

[Library Show-and-Tell](#)

April 27 – Join the librarians of the William H. Smith Memorial Library for an informal conversation about unique objects in the Indiana Historical Society collections.

What We're Reading This Week



[Scrapbook of the Arbutus Garden Club, 1934-1955, BV5552 79](#) (Indiana Historical Society, M1500)

RESOURCES AND NEWS FROM THE FIELD

The Association of Midwest Museums invites [nominations for awards](#) to recognize organizations and individuals throughout the Midwest region for their leadership, career achievements, creativity, and best practices. Nominations are due May 17. (AMM)

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSION

You, Me, We: [tackling identity and discrimination](#) with young audiences. (AAM)

AUDIENCE & COMMUNITY

Five easy tips for making [video](#) part of your nonprofit marketing strategy. (Firespring)

LEADERSHIP & PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

How can nonprofit leaders [avoid burnout](#)? (Blue Avocado)

How to run a [better board meeting](#) – and liven up your board. (Gail Perry Group)

What your nonprofit needs to know about [change](#). (Nonprofit Risk Management Center)

NEED A BREAK?

Watch how Harvard [restores its famed 19th century glass flowers](#). (Harvard University on YouTube)

In a word: an [anthology of spring flowers](#). (Saturday Evening Post)

See a selection of the [stunning Imperial Fabergé eggs](#) created for the Russian Imperial family from 1885 to 1916. (Fabergé)

Inventors have been improving the techniques and [technologies used to make jelly beans](#) for more than 150 years. (Smithsonian Magazine)

Learning Opportunities



[Gardens at Home and Abroad. Slides. ca. 1940s-1950s](#) (Indiana Historical Society, M1028)

FREE WEBINARS & VIRTUAL LEARNING

[Identify and Cultivate Meaningful Partnerships](#)

April 8 – Learn about the different collaborative models your nonprofit can engage in to increase your odds of getting funded. (GrantStation)

[Museums Today: NAGPRA Compliance, Meaningful Collaboration, and Transparency in Exhibitions](#)

April 17 – A discussion on the ethical responsibilities of museum professionals grappling with problematic collecting and exhibition practices. (George Washington University Museum)

[NAGPRA Program: Notices under NAGPRA](#)

April 19 – This webinar is part of the National NAGPRA Program's series of webinars on the new regulations. (National Park Service)

[OSHA's On-Site Consultation Program](#)

April 25 – Learn how small and mid-sized institutions can best use the services that OSHA provides through this program. (Connecting to Collections Care)

VIRTUAL TRAINING

[PastForward Online](#)

April 3-4 – Hear from expert speakers on how preservation can help us mitigate and adapt to a changing climate. \$25; \$20 members. (National Trust for Historic Preservation)

[Managing Moving Image Collections](#)

April 9 – This webinar introduces participants to concepts that will facilitate the care and management of moving image collections. \$45. (NEDCC)

[Climate and Weather History as Local History](#)

April 24 – Learn how museums can engage and educate visitors about weather and the climate crisis, as well as strategies museums can use to interpret these local records. \$45; \$25 members. (AASLH)

IN-PERSON TRAINING

[Trades Training Workshop: Hiring a Contractor and Planning Your Project](#)

April 3, South Bend – Learn best practices for planning your historic home project and tips for finding a contractor with the right skills. (Indiana Landmarks and South Bend TradeWorks)

[IGS 2024 Annual Seminar and Conference](#)

April 19 and 20, Fort Wayne – The conference will feature eight sessions by local Indiana genealogists, and extended research hours in the Genealogy Center. (Indiana Genealogical Society; event at the Allen County Public Library)

Funding Available



[Girls with a Flower Basket, ca. 1900-1930](#) (Indiana Historical Society, P0178)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES SPOTLIGHT

[Cox Funds for the Preservation of African American Heritage Sites in Indiana](#)

Due April 1 – Applications are open for two funds created to honor the legacy of an Eli Lilly chemist by providing grants to organizations working to preserve significant African American landmarks in Indiana. (Indiana Landmarks)

[Advancing Racial Equity Collection Development Grants](#)

Due April 19 – These grants support libraries, schools and community organizations in adding diverse books and materials to their circulating collections. (Indiana Humanities)

[Wilma Gibbs Moore Fellowships](#)

Due April 30 – Wilma Gibbs Moore Fellowships of \$5,000 will support humanities scholars as they conduct new research that explores anti-Black racial injustice and structural racism in Indiana and considers how Black Hoosiers have responded. (Indiana Humanities)

UPCOMING DEADLINES

[SIA Foundation Capital Projects Grants](#)

Due March 31 (SIA Foundation)

[Spark Good Local Grants](#)

Due April 15 (Walmart)

[Recordings at Risk Grants](#)

Due April 17 (CLIR)

[Challenge America Grants](#)

Due April 25 (National Endowment for the Arts)

Local & Regional Job Openings



[Flowers at CCC Camp, ca. 1938](#) (Indiana Historical Society, P0519)

LOCAL

The Indiana Historical Society is hiring!

See open positions [here](#).

[Director, Exhibitions](#)

Indianapolis – Indiana Historical Society

[Senior Curator of History and Culture](#)

Indianapolis – Indiana State Museum and Historic Sites

REGIONAL

[Archivist](#)

Frankfort, Ky. – Kentucky Historical Society

[Curator of Collections](#)

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[Curator of Jewish Collections](#)

Louisville, Ky. – The Filson Historical Society

[Guest Experience and Operations Manager](#)

Saginaw, Mich. – Castle Museum of Saginaw County History

[Program Supervisor, History Day](#)

St. Paul, Minn. – Minnesota Historical Society

[Program Facilitator](#)

Two Harbors, Minn. – Split Rock Lighthouse, Minnesota Historical Society

[Site Manager](#)

New Philadelphia, Ohio – Schoenbrunn Village, Ohio History Connection

[Executive Director](#)

Jonesboro, Tenn. – The Heritage Alliance

[Museum Manager](#)

Jonesboro, Tenn. – The Heritage Alliance

[Executive Director](#)

Townsend, Tenn. – Great Smoky Mountains Heritage Center

Orphans Corner – Historical Objects Available



A sample selection of the objects that may be available

Indiana Dunes National Park recently reviewed objects from its museum collection, and is in the process of deaccessioning objects that are outside the park's museum scope of collection.

Objects will be offered to private institutions and nonprofits, and recipients will be determined by application. To obtain the lists of items, contact Judy Collins at judith_collins@nps.gov. If an organization is interested in receiving any of the objects, they must send Judy a letter of intent via email, with the name of the organization, the responsible party, all of the contact information, and the object information including Accession and Catalog numbers and Object Name.

At the end of a 30-day period, the Collection Advisory Committee will determine the recipients of the items.

Do you have an item you would like to donate to an Indiana museum or nonprofit? We'll list it here! Email us at col@indianahistory.org and we'll list it for you!

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