

# INDIANA HISTORICAL SOCIETY COMMUNIQUE ONLINE

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[La Pasadita Cafe, 3602 Main Street, Indiana Harbor \(East Chicago\), IN, ca. 1970 \(Indiana Historical Society, P0768\)](#)

## JOIN US ONLINE TUESDAY FOR THE U.S. 250th: POWER OF PLACE

Nov. 12, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. (Eastern) – Join us on Zoom for a [moderated panel discussion on the topic of “Power of Place”](#) – reexamining ideas about our natural and built environments as well as when and where we find our country’s history. The discussion will last approximately one hour, with an additional half hour for audience Q&A. **FREE to attend.** [Register here.](#)

*This free virtual brown bag is part of a series brought to you by the Indiana Historical Society’s Local History Services Department and Indiana Humanities as we begin to prepare for the U.S. 250th.*

## Around Indiana



[Peter Pan Diner Sign, ca. 1960s](#) (Indiana Historical Society, P0767)

## NEWS

The [video game preservation lab at IU Indianapolis](#) has earned IU museum status. The lab is the only of its kind in Indiana and allows students to play classic video games and learn more about the history of games as well as game design. (Indiana Daily Student)

A new [art installation paying homage to Black history](#) and community resilience has been unveiled at the Stutz in Indianapolis. (Indianapolis Recorder)

A historic Polish Catholic church in Michigan City has been [awarded more than half a million dollars](#) to preserve the structure that parishioners themselves helped build a century ago. (Catholic News Agency)

Columbus was built as "[an exemplary mid-century city](#)" and a living monument to design excellence as a tool to make a place better. (Dezeen)

## VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

[The Harmonist Connection – Shakers and Harmonists: Communal Connections and Commonalities](#)

**Nov. 13** – This illustrated virtual talk will examine the many interactions between the Shakers and the Harmony Society over the course of nearly 100 years. (Historic New Harmony, Historic Harmony, and Old Economy Village)

## 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.*

[Hanna History Pop-Up Exhibit](#)

**Now-Nov. 30, La Porte** – Learn about the town of Hanna, including the Hanna High School Panthers, local businesses, and movers and shakers. (La Porte County Historical Society Museum)

[Sterling Chapel Grand Opening and Vietnam Memorial Wall Rededication](#)

**Nov. 9, Fort Wayne** – See the opening of the Sterling Chapel and a rededication of the replica Vietnam Memorial Wall, with tours and food in the afternoon. (Veterans National Memorial Shrine and Museum)

[Artisan Market](#)

**Nov. 9, Franklin** – This market held at the museum will feature a wide selection of local artists selling their work. (Johnson County Museum)

[Through a Geologist's Eyes: The Rich Geological Legacy of New Harmony](#)

**Nov. 9, New Harmony** – Join USI geology professor Paul Doss and historical interpreter Heidi Doss for a special tour around New Harmony. (Historic New Harmony; event begins at Atheneum Visitors Center)

[Madison County History Series: The Birth of Mounds State Park](#)

**Nov. 12, Anderson** – Learn how the magnificent Mounds State Park came into being,...and how it almost didn't! (Anderson Public Library)

[Tea & Talk: Gene Stratton-Porter: The Legend of the Limberlost](#)

**Nov. 13, Muncie** – Hear about the life and legacy of the iconic Hoosier Gene Stratton-Porter. (Minnetrissa Museum & Gardens)

### [Fort Wayne's Harvester History](#)

**Nov. 14, Indianapolis and Online** – An illustrated talk will highlight the automotive legacy of International Harvester. (Indiana Landmarks)

### [Carmel Clay History Museum Grand Opening Gala](#)

**Nov. 16, Carmel** – Celebrate the opening of this new community landmark with cocktails, entertainment, and a strolling dinner as you mingle and explore the museum. (Carmel Clay Historical Society)

### [Conversations in Indiana African American History and Culture](#)

**Nov. 21, Indianapolis** – Kisha Tandy, curator of social history at the Indiana State Museum and Historic Sites, shares a presentation on the life of Indianapolis educator Ada B. Harris (1866-1927). (Freetown Village; event at Indiana Landmarks Center)

### [History of the Hurst Family in Harrison County](#)

**Nov. 26, Corydon** – Eric Hurst will present information about the significant role his family, the Hursts, played in Harrison County History. (Historical Society of Harrison County)

## 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: Latino Experiences in Indiana**

Through Dec. 1, Hammond ([Hammond Public Library](#))

## Indiana Historical Society Spotlight

### **VOLUNTEER TO JUDGE FOR NATIONAL HISTORY DAY IN INDIANA 2025**

We are [seeking judges for National History Day in Indiana](#) 2025 regional competitions. Competitions take place on Saturdays from mid-February to mid-March and judges are needed from about 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Volunteer hours and PGP points for teachers are available. [Sign up here](#).

### **FROM THE BLOG**

#### [Are We Related?: Lewis, Spencer and Herndon](#)

Follow us down the rabbit hole as we try to locate connections between individuals named in our collections and those related to myself or other staff members.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### [Having Our Story Told: Preserving LGBTQ+ History](#)

**Nov. 9** – Queer Hoosiers and allies are welcome to gather in an afternoon of sharing gratitude and honoring the lives of past generations through history and reflection.

#### [2024 Festival of Trees](#)

**Opening Nov. 15** – This year's Festival of Trees will feature a winter wonderland of more than 80 trees representing individuals, families and companies from around Indiana.

## What We're Reading This Week



[Peanut Butter Sandwich Creations, 1943](#) (Indiana Historical Society, P0569)

## RESOURCES AND NEWS FROM THE FIELD

In November, [celebrate Native American Heritage Month](#) with Smithsonian events, resources, exhibitions, and podcast episodes. (Smithsonian)

The American Alliance of Museums has developed a [resource page](#) for museums to honor and celebrate Native American Heritage Month. (AAM)

## DIVERSITY, EQUITY, ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSION

[Museum inclusion](#): who's really telling the story? (Tronvig Group)

## FUNDRAISING

Eight [budget questions](#) funders will ask. (The NonProfit Times)

How museums are [boosting online revenue](#) in 2024. (MuseumNext)

## LEADERSHIP & PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Does your nonprofit [need an annual report](#)? (Funding for Good)

## NEED A BREAK?

Adults are sharing the [now-discontinued foods from childhood](#) they would give anything to eat again. (Tasty)

[51 old-school recipes](#) that deserve a comeback. (Taste of Home)

A brief [history of the TV dinner](#). (Smithsonian Magazine)

## Learning Opportunities



*[Dessert Buffet, ca. 1955](#) (Indiana Historical Society, M1225)*

### FREE WEBINARS & VIRTUAL LEARNING

[Building an Equity-Based Preservation Plan Through Community Engagement](#)

**Nov. 14** – Hear from preservation planners and community members about their experiences and how to implement their strategies in your community. (National Trust for Historic Preservation)

[Keeping the Groove: Caring for Grooved Audio Media](#)

**Nov. 14** – Learn about effective preservation strategies tailored specifically for these unique formats. (Connecting to Collections Care)

[Future Chat: Diving Into Museum Data](#)

**Nov. 14** – Elizabeth Merritt will chat with Susie Wilkening about the Annual Survey of Museum Goers. (AAM)

### VIRTUAL TRAINING

[10 Practical Steps for Getting Started with Digital Preservation](#)

**Nov. 12** – Learn about 10 tips to help move your digital preservation program and its practices forward. \$95. (NEDCC)

[Building the Total Value Budget](#)

**Nov. 12** – Learn about a step-by-step framework for crafting an unbeatable project budget. \$69. (GrantStation)

[Building Impactful Relationships with Community Partners](#)

**Nov. 13** – Learn how to advocate effectively for your institution by building and nurturing relationships with key community partners. \$45; \$25 members. (Virginia Association of Museums)

[A Layperson's Guide to Indirect Costs](#)

**Nov. 18** – Hear tips for how to manage your organization's finances more effectively and present your financial data with confidence. \$39. (GrantStation)

[Environmental Monitoring: An Introduction](#)

**Nov. 19** – Learn about how to understand your building's current systems, how the environment impacts different collections, and more. \$95. (NEDCC)

## Funding Available



[Kentucky Avenue, Central Parking Garage, Coca Cola advertising sign, 1945](#) (Bass Photo Co. Collection, Indiana Historical Society)

### FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES SPOTLIGHT

[Advancing Informal STEM Learning Grants](#)

**Due Jan. 8** – These grants will support research and practice in informal STEM learning settings, with a focus on engaging diverse audiences, increasing STEM participation and fostering a sense of belonging, particularly for historically excluded and underrepresented groups. (U.S. National Science Foundation)

### **UPCOMING DEADLINES**

[Building Upgrades Inspiring Local Transformation \(BUILT Nonprofits\) Funding Opportunity](#)

**Due Nov. 12** (U.S. Department of Energy)

[Community Development Block Grants: Planning Grants](#)

**Due Nov. 15** (Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs)

[Museum Grants from the Institute of Museum and Library Services](#)

**Due Nov. 15** (IMLS)

[Indiana State Library Bicentennial Research Fellowship](#)

**Due Nov. 26** (Indiana State Library)

## Local & Regional Job Openings



[High School Cafeteria, 1949](#) (Indiana Historical Society, P0569)

### **LOCAL**

***The Indiana Historical Society is hiring!***



See open positions [here](#).

[Museum Assistant](#) (Part-Time)  
**Franklin** – Johnson County Museum

## REGIONAL

[Associate Director of Dickson Mounds](#)  
**Lewistown, Ill.** – Dickson Mounds, a branch of the Illinois State Museum

[Director of Education](#)  
**Dubuque, Iowa** – National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium

[Media Preservation Residency Librarian](#)  
**East Lansing, Mich.** – University Archives and Historical Collections, Michigan State University Libraries

[Collections Manager & Registrar](#)  
**Massillon, Ohio** – Massillon Museum

## PAID INTERNSHIPS

[Archives Intern](#)  
**Frankfort, Ky.** – Education & Labor Cabinet, Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives

# Orphans Corner

*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](mailto:col@indianahistory.org) and we'll list it for you!*

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