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COMMUNIQUE TO RETURN IN JANUARY
Please note: Communique Online will not be published on Dec. 25 or Jan. 1. Regular issues will resume on Jan. 8. Enjoy the holiday season!

HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM LOCAL HISTORY SERVICES

We’ll see you next year!

WHAT WE’RE READING THIS WEEK
DIVERSITY, EQUITY, ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSION

Making public history more accessible during times of uncertainty. (NCPH)

“Access for All” begins with community listening at the Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden. (AAM)

FUNDRAISING

Everything you need to know about charitable donation receipts. (Wild Apricot)

LEADERSHIP & PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Tips to help your team and your mission stay safe and sound during the holiday season. (Nonprofit Risk Management Center)

This Covid winter survival guide covers everything from making s’mores to socializing in the cold. (Bloomberg)

Four mindful tips to de-stress this holiday season. (Johns Hopkins Medicine)

MUSEUMS

Games games games in museums. (Museum 2.0)

NEED A (HOLIDAY) BREAK?

Naughty or nice? Explore themes of behaving and misbehaving in these historical children’s books. (British Library)

If you’ve been nice this year, check out this collection of historical toys, games, and puzzles from the Smithsonian.

And treat yourself to a virtual stroll past New York’s holiday store window displays from recent years. (Window Wonderland)

Finally, warm up with these amazing hot chocolate recipes while learning a bit of history. (The Spruce Eats)

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

hands-on activities and more.

Dec. 30:
History Happy Hour: The Purpose of Kwanzaa
Join Mashariki Jywanza and Sibeko Jywanza of the Indianapolis Kwanzaa Committee for a conversation on the traditions and history of this event.

Through Jan. 9:
Hoosier Holidays at Home
Your family is invited to pick up an activity packet while visiting Festival of Trees on Saturdays. If you’re not able to join us in person, check out our online activities and create at home.

JOBS

Mrs. Stallard Working in the Bond Drive Office (Indiana Historical Society)

LOCAL Coordinator, Volunteer Services and HR Indianapolis: Indiana Historical Society.
FREE WEBINARS
Dec. 30: It's a New World: How to Cultivate Your Online Community - Learn how to cultivate a community of online donors primed and ready to support you. (Firespring)

Jan. 19: Care of Baskets - Learn about the agents that can damage the baskets in your care and some storage and display solutions. (Connecting to Collections Care)

ONLINE TRAINING
Starting Jan. 11: Current Affairs Fundraising Series - This series of five virtual courses covers how to adapt your fundraising during the pandemic while strengthening your fundraising in the context of diversity, equity and inclusion. $129 per course or $499 for the series. (The Fund Raising School)

Jan. 13: Creating and Preserving Oral Histories - Learn about the theory and best practices for oral histories, interview techniques, and selection of and set-up of recording equipment to ensure high quality recordings. $125; $100 members. (LYRASIS)

ONSITE TRAINING
Applications are due Jan. 1 for the 2021 History Leadership Institute Seminar, a professional development program for staff in history organizations who want to deepen their thinking about the issues facing the history field.

FUNDING AVAILABLE

Museum
Director

REGIONAL
Manager of Visitor Services
Flint, Mich.: Applewood Estate, Ruth Mott Foundation.

Technical Preservation Services
Columbus, Ohio: Ohio History Connection.

Library Manager
St. Paul, Minn.: Minnesota Historical Society.

NATIONAL Archives and Collections Manager
Katonah, N.Y.: Stepping Stones.

Advancement Manager
Katonah, N.Y.: Stepping Stones.

Architectural Historian
Anchorage, Alaska: Alaska Department of Natural Resources.

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 the information and
Items removed from Lena Miller album, 1898-1944: Christmastime photo of Donald Haydon Miller as a young boy (Indiana Historical Society)

Innovative museum educators are invited to sign up for Game Plan, a new professional development program to raise museum capacity for using games and game-like learning within youth programming. Museums will receive a $3,000 stipend to support the program. (Games for Change)

Applications are due Jan. 6 for Short Documentaries Grants that support the production and distribution of documentary films up to 30 minutes. (NEH)

Applications are due Jan. 6 for Media Projects Grants that support the development, production, and distribution of radio, podcast, television and long-form documentary film projects. (NEH)

Letters of Intent are due Jan. 15 for African American Cultural Heritage Action Fund Grants that advance ongoing preservation activities for historic places. (National Trust for Historic Preservation)

NEWS & RESOURCES
ARCH has presented the 2020 awards for historic preservation in Allen County, as well as the inaugural Outreach ARCHie Awards this year that recognize the top historic preservation projects regionally.

A new five-part series of research briefs examines how downtown commercial corridor revitalization can support rural recovery and resilience, as well as the policy and capacity-building supports needed to enhance and scale these strategies amid the COVID-19 crisis and beyond. (Brookings)

AROUND INDIANA

Children with Sleds at Strawberry Hill, 1945 (Martin Collection, Indiana Historical Society)
VIRTUAL PROGRAMS
On Demand: The Magic of Ayres: Christmases Past and Present - Reminisce about the glory days of the department store and find out what it takes to give a 3-foot-tall cherub a facelift. (Indiana Landmarks)

Jan. 30: PuzzleFest - The 2021 PuzzleFest will be virtual using Zoom technology and there will be a variety of programming throughout the day. (Monroe County History Center)

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.

Through Dec. 23 (extended), Fort Wayne: Festival of Gingerbread - See new creations crafted this year by gingerbread artists of all ages and skill levels. A virtual tour is also available. (The History Center)

Dec. 26, Delphi: Annual Day After Christmas Walk - Enjoy the season with a free outdoor trail walk. Shorter and longer walks available. (Canal Center)

Through Dec. 30, Elkhart: A Merry Little Christmas Holiday Tours - Tour both houses on the Ruthmere Museum Campus to see traditional period holiday décor. (Ruthmere)

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