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1. Clements Library/U of M <https://clements.umich.edu/>

***March 11 @ 4:15pm - 5:15pm. Guided Tour of the Clements Library. You’ll learn more about the early American history collections and how they are used. You’ll see Benjamin West’s iconic painting “Death of General Wolfe,” and more! The University of Michigan requires that visitors wear masks and complete the ResponsiBLUE health screening on March 11 to participate in this event.

***March 18 @ 10:00am - 11:00am. In celebration of Women’s History Month, prolific collector Cynthia Motzenbecker will share and discuss historic images of women from her private collection.

(From Nadine Hall, Greenhills School, Ann Arbor)

2. Other Michigan Museums

Arab American National Museum <https://arabamericanmuseum.org/>

***March 5@12:00pm - 1:30pm, online zoom. *Meditation & Art: Virtual Painting Workshops with Suhad Khatib*. This March, artist-in-residence Suhad Khatib will host a 4-part online painting workshops to help students create 4 paintings a week. No experience is necessary to participate! This workshop is open to/a safe space for adult women only. A required list of supplies must be purchased in advance to participate.

***March 8@5:00pm - 6:30pm, online zoom. *Educator Virtual Open House*. This open house will showcase the many educational, cultural and digital offerings and resources available for educators locally and nationally to utilize in their classroom. They will also introduce educators to a sneak peak to two, never-before toured, new exhibits at AANM! The goal is to equip teachers with appropriate materials and resources to better educate the masses about the Arab American community

Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History <https://www.thewright.org/>

***March 5@12:00pm - 2:00pm, online zoom. *History Speaks - A Modern Conversation Featuring Historical Perspectives*. This program is designed to teach the youth in our community about the history of race in America. In this year's program, they are gathering girls ages 13 - 17 to focus on the incredible lives and contributions of African American women throughout time.

***March 20@3:00pm. *From Egypt To Now Makers Series: Wig-Making*. Join the second part of this series, as they explore various styles of artistry that were important in Ancient Egypt, and are still thriving today!

Holocaust Memorial Center Zekelman Family Campus <https://www.holocaustcenter.org/>

***March 8@ 7:00pm. *"The Six Triple Eight" Film Screening and Discussion*. In February 1945, the U.S. Army sent 855 black women from the Women's Army Corps (WACs) to England and France to clear the backlog of mail in the European Theater of Operations. The 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion, known as the Six Triple Eight, was the only all-black female battalion to serve in Europe during WWII. Confronted with racism and sexism from their own leadership and troops, they served with honor and distinction completing their mission in six months. Watch the documentary film from March 1 - 9 @holocaustcenter.org. Co-presented by the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History.
(From Nadine Hall, Greenhills School, Ann Arbor)

3. History News Network <https://historynewsnetwork.org/>

Features articles and films for Historian; Docuseries "Everything's Gonna Be All White" Challenges Recurrent Historical Denial, "The Dead Hand" on the Supreme Court, and "New Laws Have Teachers Confused, Scared, and Self-Censoring".

(From Nadine Hall, Greenhills School, Ann Arbor)

4. Michigan Council on Economic Education

The Michigan Credit Union Foundation has funded all Michigan teachers to have access to Michigan state standards-aligned content in [Smartpath](#). Smartpath now includes lesson plans and supports for students with disabilities as well as racial and social justice lesson guides. Smartpath is a comprehensive, fun and free way to teach economic and financial literacy concepts to students grades 1-8. Questions: Contact, Derek D'Angelo, President Michigan Council on Economic Education derek@michiganecon.org

(David Hales, Wayne RESA)

5. Michigan Geographic Alliance

Coming Soon! Geography education resources developed by staff and trained teacher consultants from the MGA to enhance student learning. Right now the MGA site is being updated and in the new version you will be able to view and download the lesson plans, supplements, and supports for integrating geography into your curriculum and learning activities. Questions: Contact mga@cmich.edu

(David Hales, Wayne RESA)

6. Hauenstein Center for Presidential Studies

Presidents Day Celebration: Wednesday, February 23, 2022 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Location: Charles W. Loosemore Auditorium (GVSU) or Visit virtually at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87222394732> or call in at US: +1 (929) 205-6099 Webinar ID: 872 2239 4732 to view the live broadcast. In observance of this year's Presidents' Day, the Hauenstein Center and our partners at the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Foundation, Library & Museum, are pleased to welcome Lindsay Chervinsky, White House historian at the White House Historical Association and author of *The Cabinet: George Washington and the Creation of An American Institution*, to Grand Valley State University for our annual celebration of Presidents' Day. Questions: hc@gvsu.edu (616) 331-2770, You can [RSVP for this event](#)

[RSVP Now](#)

(David Hales, Wayne RESA)

7. Michigan Council for Civic Education

Mock Trial 2022 is right around the corner! Judges and facilitators are encouraged to sign up for a series of regional events starting Saturday, February 19 through Saturday, March 12, 2022. The state championship is scheduled for Saturday, March 19. As of now, all events are virtual including a student reception and a volunteer, teacher, and donor reception. For more information, please <https://miciviced.org/programs/mock-trial/> and share [this](#) flyer. Questions: Contact Ellen Zwarenstejn, ezwarenstejn@miciviced.org

(David Hales, Wayne RESA)

8. MCSS

The Michigan Council for the Social Studies has announced the keynote speaker lineup for their 2022 annual conference in April. Check the MCSS website for more information and to get registered! <https://www.mcssmi.org/Conference-2022>

(David Johnson, MCSS)

9. The Historical Society of Michigan <https://hsmichigan.org/>

Registration is now open for the Historical Society of Michigan's 2022 Local History Conference. The conference will be held virtually on March 25 and 26. To access the conference booklet which includes the list of keynote speakers and conference sessions, see

<https://hsmichigan.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/2022-Local-History-Conference-Booklet-Virtual.pdf>.

(Jana Pisani, Ferris State University)

10. "This Month in History," from the History Place

<https://www.historyplace.com/specials/calendar/index.html>

***March 4, 1933—President Franklin Roosevelt took office and delivered his first inaugural address.

***March 14, 1879—Nobel Prize winner Albert Einstein was born in Ulm, Germany.

***March 25, 1911—The Triangle Shirtwaist Company fire occurred in New York City, leading to the deaths of 123 women and 23 men. This event helped lead to safety legislation in factories as well as labor reform.

(Jana Pisani, Ferris State University)

11. Jim Crow Museum of Racist Memorabilia <https://www.ferris.edu/jimcrow/>The Jim Crow Museum of Racist Memorabilia is located on the Ferris State University campus, is free and open to the public, and is open Tuesday through Friday between noon and 5:00 p.m. The museum also offers virtual private group tours on Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. or 1:00 p.m. For information about virtual private group tours, contact the museum's office via email (jimcrowmuseum@ferris.edu) or telephone at (231)591-5873.

(Jana Pisani, Ferris State University)

12. "Bridge" (Center for Michigan) <https://www.bridgemi.com/center-michigan>

*** "How Gretchen Whitmer Wants to Spend \$18.4 billion on Michigan schools," February 9, 2022, by Isabel Lohman.

*** “Michigan High School Seniors Crave Normality After COVID,” February 16, 2022, by Isabel Lohman.

(Jana Pisani, Ferris State University)

13. George Washington’s Mount Vernon <https://www.mountvernon.org/>

George Washington’s Mount Vernon offers digital materials for teachers and students on its website, including a “Be Washington: It’s Your Turn to Lead” game, videos about Washington’s life and times, videos about the Revolutionary War, games and quizzes, interactive coloring pages, and lesson plans. For more information, see <https://www.mountvernon.org/education/resources-for-online-learning/>

(Jana Pisani, Ferris State University)

14. Gilder-Lehrman

The Gilder-Lehrman Institute of American History offers multiple programs which partner with Lin Manuel Miranda’s *Hamilton*. This opportunity allows students of all ages to get excited about the Founding Era via modern pop culture. One such program reaches an even younger audience. Use the link below to find recordings of the many, diverse *Hamilton* cast members reading picture books with historical themes. Books cover topics such as slavery, segregation, the Jazz Era, immigration, the Vietnam War, and more.

<https://www.gilderlehrman.org/programs-and-events/hamilton-cast-read-alongs-0>

(from Kailie Burk, Rockford Schools)

15. Henry Ford Museum

“Apollo: When we went to the Moon,” is the new exhibit at The Henry Ford Museum, which combines both history and innovation. The Exhibit, which opens February 19, will feature a multitude of artifacts from the US Space & Rocket Center as well as the actual Apollo 11 lunar module. Visitors can also experience a launch simulation and see how the Space Race encouraged all kinds of technological advancements. Use the link below to learn more and purchase tickets.

<https://www.thehenryford.org/current-events/calendar/apollo-when-we-went-to-the-moon/>

(from Kailie Burk, Rockford Schools)

16. Michigan History Center

Michigan History Center’s Michiganology is an archival website where teachers, students, or anyone can dig deeper into our State’s unique history. The website is primarily a search engine for Michigan-specific, primary source artifacts. However, the website also publishes articles and features modern interviews to keep history alive. See an example below, which covers the history of Indian Boarding Schools in our State.

<https://michiganology.org/stories/indian-boarding-schools/>

(from Kailie Burk, Rockford Schools)

17. MotorCities National Heritage Area

“This exhibition [at the Detroit Institute of Art] highlights the artistry and influence of Detroit car designers working between 1950 and the present day. It will bring together 12 coupes and sedans designed across that 70-year period to highlight significant achievements in style and technology.”

<https://www.motorcities.org/events/detroit-style-car-design-in-the-motor-city-1950-2020>

(from Kailie Burk, Rockford Schools)

18. Michigan Supreme Court Learning Center

(from David Hales, Wayne RESA)

19. Library of Congress

<https://www.loc.gov/classroom-materials/civil-war-images-depictions-of-african-americans-in-the-war-effort/>

Civil War Images: Depictions of African Americans in the War Effort (With Teacher’s Guide). “The visual depictions that were created during the war provide an opportunity to explore the many different ways in which African Americans—free and enslaved, in Union and Confederate states— advanced the war effort. However, these images also encourage us to examine the many ways in which artists, photographers, and publishers chose to depict African Americans in the war effort, and to consider their reasons for doing so. At the same time, the relative scarcity of such images serves as a reminder of the many participants, and the many stories, that are excluded from this crucial moment in the nation’s history.”

(Dick Cooley, GVSU)

20. River Raisin National Battlefield Park

<https://www.nps.gov/subjects/archeology/archeology-for-kids.htm> Archeology for Kids

“Do you like to dig in the dirt? Find things that are lost? Put pieces together? Figure out stories from clues? Learn about the past? These are all things archeologists do—maybe *you’re* one, too!”

Archeology is tons of dirt-digging, story-telling, mystery-solving fun. Like you, many archeologists caught the archeology bug as kids. Get started on your own archeological adventure!

(And hey, before you go, read **Guidelines for Visiting Archeological Places** for ground rules.)”

(Dick Cooley, GVSU)

21. Colonial Williamsburg:

<https://www.colonialwilliamsburg.org/learn/explore-from-home/created-equal/>

“The Declaration of Independence asserts that ‘all men are created equal’ and are endowed with certain unalienable rights - ‘life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness’. When those words were written, over 52 percent of Williamsburg’s population was enslaved. This is a special release of “Created Equal,” a museum theatre exploration of African American perspectives on the Declaration, the revolutions it inspired, and the ongoing struggle for equality and freedom in America. It first premiered live on stage at Colonial Williamsburg on July 4th, 2019.”

(Dick Cooley, GVSU)

22. PBS:

<https://wgvu.pbslearningmedia.org/resource/ull20-fighting-racism-progressive-era/fighting-racism-civil-rights-in-the-progressive-era-unladylike2020/>

“Fighting Racism: Civil Rights in the Progressive Era: Unladylike 2020”

“In this interactive lesson, students take a closer look at some of the women who risked their lives to fight against systemic racism in the United States during the Progressive Era using video from *Unladylike2020*. For most of these women, it wasn’t a choice. They didn’t decide to become activists. Their lives--and the lives of those they loved the most--depended on it.”

(Dick Cooley, GVSU)

23. National Women's Hall of Fame

<https://www.womenofthehall.org/inductee/mary-mcleod-bethune/>

Biography of Mary McLeod Bethune. Her legacy is Bethune-Cookman University. She started with \$1.50 to begin a school with just 5 pupils. That school grew to a high school, then a junior college and then a college.

(Dick Cooley, GVSU)

24. Apply now to be a Tawas Point lighthouse keeper

The very popular Tawas Point Lighthouse keeper program returns for 2022, with opportunities for teams of four adults to enjoy two-week stays on "Michigan's Cape Cod" between May 17 and Oct. 18.

A Michigan History Center museum, the 1876 Tawas Point Lighthouse is located in Tawas Point State Park on a spit of land between Tawas Bay and Lake Huron. People come from all over the world to see the historic lighthouse and to enjoy birding, fishing and many other outdoor recreation opportunities in the area.

All keepers commit to a two-week stay and each team member provides about 35 hours of service per week, which can include greeting visitors, giving lighthouse tours and routine cleaning. Keepers stay in the dwelling attached to the lighthouse.

Accommodations include two comfortable bedrooms, a modern kitchen, shower and bath.

Cost for the program is \$250 per person per two-week stay.

Interested? Complete and submit the Tawas Point Lighthouse keeper application form before 11:59 p.m. Friday, Feb. 11. There is a \$10 nonrefundable application fee. For more program information, email TawasKeepers@Michigan.gov

25. Register Now for Outstanding HSM Local History Conference Program

The virtual event will be held on Friday-Saturday, March 25-26. This conference began more than 60 years ago in the McGregor Conference Center, Wayne State University. For the past 13 or so years, it has met in various suburban locations in the Detroit area. Canceled in March 2020, the event was virtual in 2021 and will be virtual again in 2022. This offers a wonderful opportunity for you to 'attend' from the comfort of your home. I urge you to take advantage of the EARLY BIRD (Ends Feb. 13) registration. "Attached is the Historical Society of Michigan "Michigan in Perspective: The Local History Conference" program flyer. Info posted at www.hsmichigan.org

(From Jim McConnell, Dearborn Schools-retired)

26. Tobi Voigt named Director of Museums

The Michigan History Center is excited to announce that, in January, Tobi Voigt was named Director of Museums, a new position that oversees the center's 12 museums and historic sites around the state. She now leads a 19-person museums team that: Manages day-to-day operations of the museums and historic sites. Preserves and protects the center's artifact collection; Develops and conducts field trip experiences for K-12 students; Hosts public programs for adult and family audiences; Develops and fabricates exhibitions.; Provides retail outlets for gifts and products inspired by Michigan heritage.

Since joining the MHC in 2017 as community engagement director, Voigt has led education, programs and outreach initiatives aimed at building relationships with Michigan's culturally rich and diverse communities.

A native of Troy, Michigan, Voigt's two decades in the museum field began near her hometown at the Rochester Hills Museum and Van Hoosen Farm. In 2006, she earned a master's degree in history museum studies at the prestigious Cooperstown Graduate Program in Cooperstown, New York. Before joining the MHC, she served as senior curator for the Detroit Historical Society, where she led education initiatives and public programs, and oversaw and worked on collections and award-winning exhibition projects.

"I have a passion for all aspects of museum work, from education to artifact collections to exhibitions to historic sites," Voigt said. "It is an honor to work with – and for – the team that preserves and shares our history at museums and historic places all over Michigan."

Connect with Voigt at VoigtT@Michigan.gov

(From Jim McConnell, Dearborn Schools-retired)

27. Celebrate James Madison's Birthday on March 16

Wednesday, March 16, 1751, is the birthday of James Madison, our fourth President and the key delegate at the 1787 Constitutional Convention. Help your students learn more about Madison by organizing a birthday party in your classroom. You can learn more about our shortest President by taking the attached March Quiz.

You might want to make copies of the attached quiz to share with your students. The Q & A is posted at <https://www.teachinghistoryinmi.org/history-quizzes>

(From Jim McConnell, Dearborn Schools-retired)

28. Zoom to "HistoryHounds" from the Historical society of Michigan

"History Hounds" offer virtual programs on Michigan history stories
HSM offers "History Hounds" weekly virtual programs on a wide variety of interesting Michigan history topics. "History Hounds" programs are free to all HSM members

and to members of groups having an HSM organizational membership, such as dues-paying MCHE members. (To join MCHE, visit <https://www.teachinghistoryinmi.org> Details, with a google form, are posted at top of the Hone. page. Non-members can register for \$7.00. You can enjoy the content from the comfort and safety of your home. For details and to register for "History Hounds", visit www.hsmichigan.org

Upcoming Programs include:

** March 1, Tues., noon The Katie Shepard Hotel: History and Restoration on a Wilderness Island Stacie Longwell Sadoski

** March 9, Wed., 7:00 p.m. Institutional Invisibility: The Lapeer State Home and Treating Disabilities Allie Scholten

** March 15, Tues., noon Pere Marquette: The Man, The Mission, and The Memorial James Jensen

** March 23, Wed., 7:00 p.m. Civil War Life: The Soldier's Clothing and Personal Equipment Rob Stone

** March 29, Tues., noon Children of Holocaust Survivors: Sharing Their Parents' Stories Anne Donato;

(From Jim McConnell, Dearborn Schools-retired)

29. 'Ten Things YOU CAN DO to Protect Voting Rights and Democracy'

I am extremely concerned about the future of democracy in our country. Attacks of "January 6th," attacks at local board meetings, vile comments on social media about our elected leaders scares me like no other time on our history. I am attaching a list of the LWV'S "Ten Things" we can do to protect and sustain our democracy, if it isn't too late. The attachment came from the Washtenaw League of Women Voters says Washtenaw County but it applies nationwide. (From

I hope you are all well and successfully meeting the challenges of the times. Forty years teaching and I never encountered the challenges you now face. Thank you for fighting the good fight. You are appreciated.

Jim' Cameron, Social Studies Consultant (retired) Michigan Department of Education)
