

Natchez Legends & Lore 2016

A Monday evening speaker series

Sponsored by the Ethnic & Social History Committee

“Start your Tricentennial weeks with something to talk about!”



Where the River is Wide and the History runs Deep.

The Natchez Tricentennial Ethnic and Social History Committee is seeking a pool of gathering places throughout the Natchez community to host this year-long series of weekly presentations relating to the rich, diverse stories that span the 300-year ethnic and social history of Natchez.

The presentations will take place at 5:30 pm every Monday in 2016 except as noted in Appendix A. Weeks that will require additional seating for Road Scholars are also indicated in Appendix A. All logistical costs will be paid by the host sites; the Tricentennial Ethnic & Social History will provide the speaker for each week.

Venues may request to be considered for one week only, or for an entire month. Venues may request as part of their proposal to be considered or not to be considered for a particular month or week in 2016. The decision as to exactly how many venues will be used will be determined by the Ethnic & Social History Committee.

Application deadline is close of business on November 13, 2015.

Host Site Application

Name of host institution		
Physical address of institution		
Mailing address of institution		
Phone number of institution		
Website of institution		
Name of primary contact		
Position of primary contact at institution		
Phone number of primary contact (if different from institution)		
Email address of primary contact		
Can your location seat at least 30 people in a room that is quiet and separate from other ongoing activities?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Can your location seat 75 people?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Do you have public restrooms?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Do you have staff or volunteers to handle setup and cleanup?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Is your location handicap accessible?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Will you provide free water or other beverages?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Will you provide free light snacks?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

Will you provide food or beverages for sale?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Do you have a large screen or blank wall for audiovisual presentations?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Do you have a laptop computer and PowerPoint projector?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Do you have a microphone and sound system?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Do you have staff or volunteers who can handle your electronics and be present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Do you have nearby parking for 30 attendees?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Do you have experiencing in hosting meetings or similar events? If so, please describe briefly.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Is there a particular week(s), month(s), or topic(s) for which you would like to be considered?		
Is there a particular week(s), month(s), or topic(s) for which you would like NOT to be considered?		

Please explain any special circumstances or advantage your institution could offer.	

Host site applications will be accepted by mail, email, or hand delivery to the Tricentennial Office at the Natchez Visitor Center until **November 13, 2015**. Any applications received after this date and time will be returned to the sender.

Agreements will be put in place by December 31, 2015. Notifications to venues not selected will be completed by December 31, 2015. The Ethnic and Social History Committee will maintain a calendar of all scheduled venues, and will confirm with each venue within 2 weeks of its first scheduled host date.

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Appendix A
Proposed Weekly Topics & Monthly Themes
As of October 20, 2015

January Our Roots

- 4 Tricentennial Overview
- 11 Natchez under-the-Hill
- 18 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Luncheon – no evening event
- 25 Mardi Gras in Natchez

February Black History Month

- 1 Forks of the Road
- 15 Presidents' Day/Black Natchez
- 22 Slave Women
- 29 Reconstruction/Revels/Lynch

March Women's History Month

- 7* Varina & Jefferson Davis
- 14* Natchez Children's Home
- 21* Irish Natchez
- 28* Spring Pilgrimage - Edith Wyatt Moore

April Spring

- 4* Natchez Nabobs
- 11 Jewish Natchez
- 18 Rhythm Club/Watkins Street Cemetery
- 25 National Parks (Natchez NHP, Natchez Trace)

May Music

- 2 Natchez Tornado of 1840
- 9 Music
- 16 Natchez Architecture
- 23 Memorial Day/Decoration Day
- 30 Memorial Day – no lecture

June Health, Wellness, Fitness, Recreation

- 6 Natchez Mayors
- 13 Duncan Park Golf
- 20 Genealogy Organizations
- 27 Nellie Jackson

July Culinary Arts, the Family

- 4 Independence Day – no lecture
- 11 British Natchez
- 18 Civil War/Occupation of Natchez
- 25 Judith Sargent Murray or Industrial Natchez

August Happy Birthday Natchez!

- 1 Fort Rosalie/French Natchez
- 8 Goat Castle Murder
- 15 Natchez Art
- 22 Agriculture
- 29 Richard Wright

September 9/15-10/15 Hispanic Heritage Month, The River

- 5 Labor Day – no lecture
- 12 Mississippi River
- 19 Spanish Natchez
- 26* Free People of Color

October Italian American Heritage Month, Outdoors

- 3* Natchez Civil Rights
- 10 Columbus Day/Italian Natchez
- 17 Balloons
- 24 Ellen Douglas (d. November)
- 31 Natchez first official cemetery – Memorial park

November American Indian Heritage Month, Military

- 7 Military/Veterans Day
- 14 Matrilineal Society of Natchez Indians
- 21 Grand Village of Natchez Indians
- 28 Publishing

December Christmas Traditions

- 5* Christmas in Natchez
- 12 John James Audubon/Christmas Bird Count
- 19 State Bicentennial – Jefferson College
- 26 No lecture

* Road Scholars Weeks – larger venues needed