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Blaze Orange: Whitetail Deer Hunting in Wisconsin



By Travis Dewitz

In Blaze Orange, photographer Travis Dewitz captures the joy, excitement, and camaraderie of deer hunting in Wisconsin. A lone hunter in a tree stand as dawn arrives. A girl and her grandfather scanning a field in the The Wisconsin Historical Society Educator Update curates news from the Wisconsin Historical Society and beyond for the community of educators in Wisconsin.

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News from the Wisconsin Council for the Social Studies

Have you attended WCSS in the past? Have an idea you'd like to share? Looking to connect with other professionals in the field? Consider submitting a <u>presentation proposal</u> for the 2015 WCSS Conference: "Humanity in Print: Reading and Writing in the Social Studies" Keynote speaker this year is Wisconsin Author Michael Perry. Submission deadline for the March conference is Friday, January 9th, so get those ideas

Social Studies Teacher of the Year/Global Citizen Awards

Do you know an innovative educator? Do they deserve recognition for what they do in their classroom? Why not take a moment and nominate them for the WCSS Outstanding Social Studies Teacher of the Year? It's easy; simply complete the short nomination form.

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fresh snow. Tired hunters laughing around the evening fire back at camp. These are snapshots of a cultural touchstone.

With more than 600,000 hunters taking to the fields and woods of the state each year, the whitetail deer season is by far Wisconsin's largest sporting event. Dewitz's evocative photos document the hunt and more as he rides along with hunters and a game warden, visits local mom-andpop stores where hunters gather, and records the industries that operate alongside the deer season-a taxidermist and knife maker, butchers and sausage makers. The result is a stunning and keen-eyed chronicle of one season of the Wisconsin deer hunt.

Available <u>now</u> from the Wisconsin Historical Society Press!

An Interview with Lisa Marine, Image Reproduction & Licensing Manager at the Wisconsin Historical Society

the Wisconsin Historical Society image collection with Lisa Marine, Image Reproduction and Licensing

This month we

learn about

(@WHSEducation) to see the latest quips and bits!

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Cure Cabin Fever



Cold weather beating you down? Looking for some family fun on the weekends? Come out for four different Saturday events during Cure Cabin Fever. Featuring the history of logging in Wisconsin, each Saturday in January focuses on a different aspect of the logging lifestyle.

Check out our **Events** calendar for more information.

Outreach Opportunities Abound

The Wisconsin Historical Museum is pleased to announce a new traveling history initiative that brings the teaching collections of the Museum to your school. Our trained museum education staff uses a diverse array of objects and stories as they bring history to life. Students are invited to explore the artifacts, photographs, and more that make the Wisconsin story unique all while connecting history to Wisconsin's Academic Standards.

Selected programs include:





Manager

Tell us a bit about yourself

I'm Lisa Marine: photo geek, history enthusiast, musician, bon vivant.

Tell us about the Society's image collection.

Our collections are amazing! We have over 2 million images in our archives, and about 85,000 of those are on our website. There are tons of Wisconsin images, but the collections also include lots of images created in the Midwest and other North American locations. The image subjects cover everything from landscapes to politics to ethnic groups to crazy fun to art, and everything in between and sideways. And more!

How can educators access the collection?

Educators can access our online collections through our website. They can also come to Wisconsin Historical Society and visit our archives reading room (room 416) to do their own staff-assisted research. Visits from entire classes can be arranged and are welcome.

What's the best thing about your job

I think that my favorite part of the job is when I can help someone connect with an image that's really personal to them. It's so exciting to hear, "That's my house!" or "This is the

The Fur Trade in Wisconsin - A Simulation: Your classroom



will be transformed into an 18th Century trading post. Students will practice their math and negotiating skills as they learn about the goods that Europeans and Native People changed, and will handle replica copies of these items.

Civil War Wisconsin:

There were no Civil War battles in Wisconsin, but that does not mean there was no action here. Learn more about our state's role in this important period that defined our nation's history

Each interactive experience is designed to last approximately one hour. The cost for each program is \$5 per person and is suitable for a classroom. For more information or if you are interested in booking, please call or email Jenny Kalvaitis at 608,264,6557 for more details.

Taking History on the Road

Discover Your Story

As the Wisconsin Historical Society embarks on the "Wisconsin History Tour:



Sharing Wisconsin's Stories One Community at a Time," we have hopes to spend time and share stories of the past with communities throughout the state. The "Tour" represents a major, multi-year outreach effort.

For a month-long stay at a time, the Society will bring a handcrafted exhibit to 11 communities in order to share pieces of collections we have gathered since our founding in 1846-ranging from a Civil War soldier's letter home, to early only photo of my great-grandfather that still exists!" or "That's me when I was five!"

Visit the Society's images <u>website</u> for more information.

20th Century photographs of Door County, to maps dating back to 1513, to the Racine story of malted milk, to maritime stories of shipwrecks on the Great Lakes.



The <u>statewide trek</u> is currently in Milwaukee at the downtown Milwaukee Public Library. For more information on the Wisconsin History Tour, please visit our <u>website</u>.

Thank you for reading our newsletter.

Sincerely,

<u>Kurt Griesemer</u> Director of Education Wisconsin Historical Society