

Wisconsin Historical Society

Services for Local Historical Societies

The Wisconsin Historical Society offers a variety of services to local historical societies. Our experienced staff can provide advice on subjects ranging from care of museum objects to preservation of historic buildings, often through the Society's website at www.wisconsinhistory.org. Below are staff contacts.

General Assistance and Affiliations

The Society operates offices in Madison, Milwaukee and Eau Claire to assist local historical organizations.

Contact

Janet Seymour, 715-836-2250
janet.seymour@wisconsinhistory.org

Building Restoration and Techniques

Jennifer Davel can field questions regarding how to properly restore or rehabilitate your historic building.

Contact

Jennifer Davel, 608-264-6490
jennifer.davel@wisconsinhistory.org

Museum Collections

Society staff are available for consultation on the care of collections, documentation and collection management.

Contact

Janet Seymour, 715-836-2250
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Applying for Tax Credits for Rehabilitation of Historic Homes

Let your members know how they can apply for tax credits when they restore their historic homes.

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Elementary School Student Programs

Kurt Griesemer from the Office of Programs & Outreach can provide ideas and advice on ways to involve students in local history.

Contact

Kurt Griesemer, 608-264-6487
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Burial Sites Preservation

State Archaeologist John Broihahn answers questions about protecting burial sites, including Native American burial mounds.

Contact

John Broihahn, 608-264-6496
john.broihahn@wisconsinhistory.org

National History Day Program

Eric Angell and Liz Wabindato from the Office of Programs & Outreach can assist in involving middle school and high school students in local history through the National History Day program.

Contacts

Southern District
Eric Angell, 608-264-6487
eric.angell@wisconsinhistory.org

Northern District
Liz Wabindato, 715-685-2667
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Archaeological Sites Protection

State Archaeologist John Broihahn answers questions on identifying and protecting archaeological sites.

Contact

John Broihahn, 608-264-6496
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Maritime Preservation and Archaeology Programs

Underwater archaeologist Tamara Thomsen can help answer questions regarding historic maritime resources, including lighthouses and shipwrecks.

Contact

Tamara Thomsen, 608-221-5909
tamara.thomsen@wisconsinhistory.org

Applying for National Register of Historic Places Status

Peggy Veregin can help answer questions on nominating a building, site or district to the Register.

Contact

Peggy Veregin, 608-264-6502
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Researching Historic Buildings or Districts

Joe DeRose helps answer questions on how to research historic properties.

Contact

Joe De Rose, 608-264-6512
joe.derose@wisconsinhistory.org

Working with Government Agencies to Protect Historic Resources

Katie Kaliszewski can provide information about working with agencies to ensure that government projects do not have a negative impact on historic resources.

Contact

Katie Kaliszewski, 608-261-2457
katie.kaliszewski@wisconsinhistory.org

Landmarks Commissions

If you represent a local historic preservation landmarks commission and would like to inquire about technical assistance or training, contact Joe DeRose.

Contact

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Historic Preservation Assistance to Nonprofits

If you represent a nonprofit organization and want technical assistance or training regarding historic preservation planning projects, contact Joe DeRose.

Contact

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Historic Photographs

Visual Materials Archivist Timothy Ream answers questions on the care and preservation of iconographic materials and photographs.

Contact

Timothy Ream, 608-264-6457
timothy.ream@wisconsinhistory.org

Paper Conservation

Conservator Robin Carlson offers advice on the care and handling of paper artifacts, including books, manuscripts and visual materials.

Contact

Robin Carlson, 608-264-6476
robin.carlson@wisconsinhistory.org

Questions on Wisconsin or American History Facts

Library staff will answer factual questions about Wisconsin or American history.

Contact

The reference staff, 608-264-6535
asklibrary@wisconsinhistory.org

Genealogy Research

Genealogists can find a wealth of information about researching their family history.

Contact

Wisconsin Historical Society Library,
608-264-6535
www.wisconsinhistory.org/genealogy

Fundraising

The Wisconsin Historical Foundation provides assistance to local historical societies by answering questions related to fundraising.

Contact

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