



SUMMER CAMP 2019

Get ready for our 2019 Summer Camp! Are you looking for a different camp experience for your kids this summer? Elmhurst History Museum has two fun and engaging options for kids entering 2nd–5th grades:

Museum Explorers Camp

June 10–14, 2019

Participants will visit nearby cultural institutions and participate in related STEAM activities.

NEW! Time Trekkers Camp

June 24–28, 2019

Campers will explore some of the most important technological, scientific, and cultural innovations throughout history through hands-on experiments and artistic projects.

Each camp runs Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Cost: **\$210 per week**

Registration begins March 1 at 9:00 a.m.

To register, call Jessie Wandersee at 630-530-6879.

More info: www.elmhursthhistory.org/398/Camps

EXHIBIT OPENING MAY 17

Worlds of Wonder:
Remembering
Chicagoland's
Amusement Parks



May 17–August 18, 2019

Chicago has had its share of jaw-dropping, awe-inspiring amusement parks, from the rotations of the first Ferris wheel at the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition to the ups-and-downs of The Bobs at Riverview. This new exhibit celebrates Chicago's favorite destinations for fun and thrills, including early trolley parks and suburban attractions like Kiddieland and Dispensa's Kiddie Kingdom. Learn about the signature rides and iconic venues through rare photos and video, memorabilia, advertisements, and intriguing artifacts.

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Elmhurst History Museum

Supported by Elmhurst Heritage Foundation

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Museum Hours:

Sunday, Tuesday – Friday: 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Saturday: 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Closed Mondays & Holidays

Admission: **FREE**

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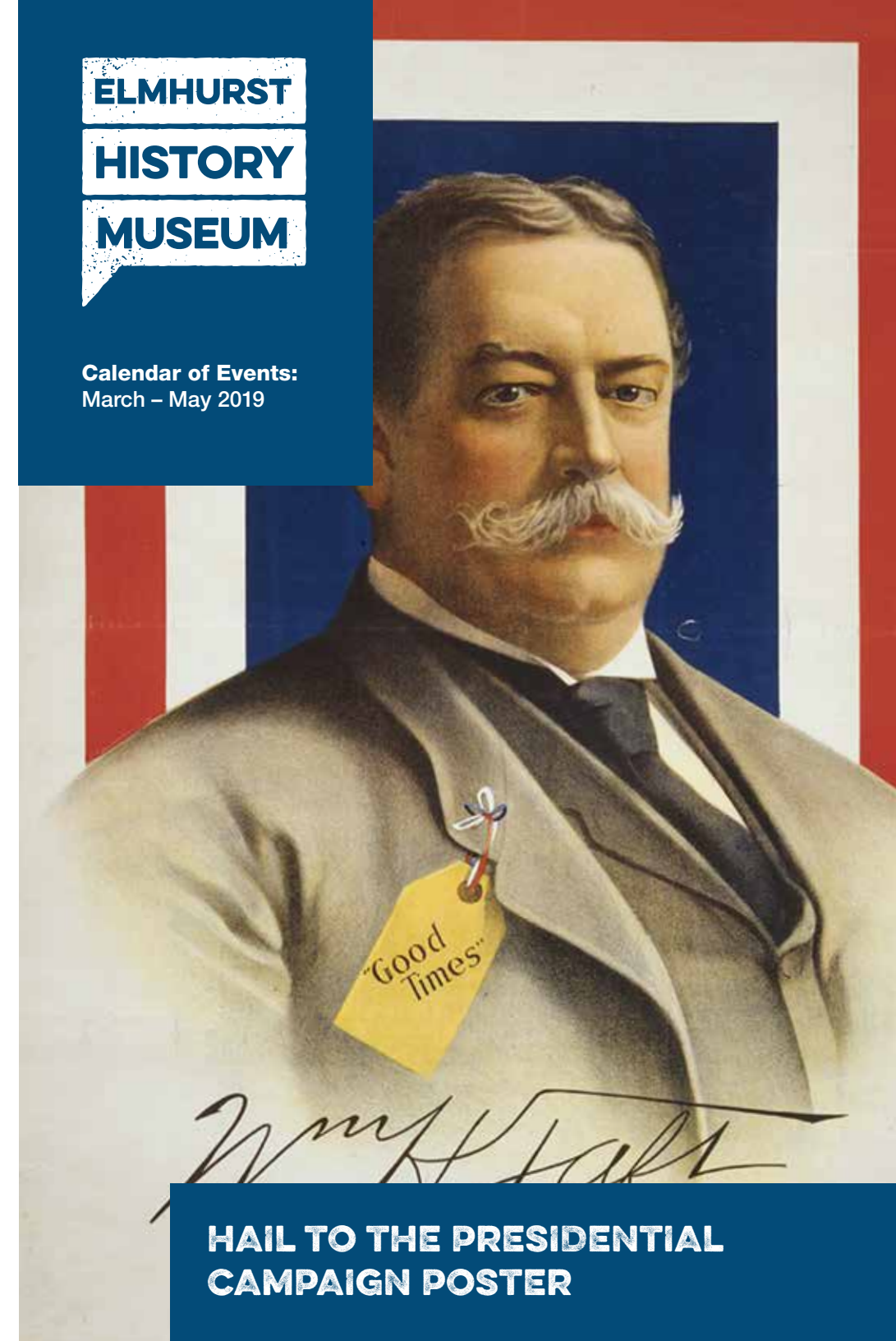
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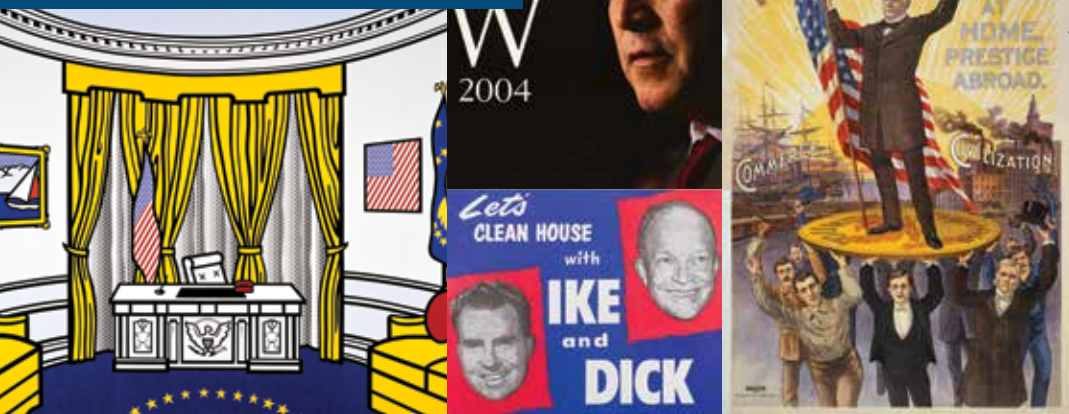
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Calendar of Events:
March – May 2019



**HAIL TO THE PRESIDENTIAL
CAMPAIGN POSTER**

NEW EXHIBIT



Sign of the Times:

THE GREAT AMERICAN POLITICAL POSTER 1844-2012

March 29–April 28, 2019

The hard-working American political poster first appeared in the 1844 presidential election, and it has attempted to catch both eyes and votes through the use of powerful visual language ever since. This national traveling exhibit showcases a variety of poster styles, design trends, and printing technologies that have been employed to create these powerful campaign messengers over a span of 168 years. *Sign of the Times* features 50 colorful, high-quality reproductions of the most exciting and rarely-seen presidential campaign posters in our country's history.

A Program of ExhibitsUSA, a national division of Mid-America Arts Alliance and The National Endowment for the Arts

Exhibitsusa

Last call! Closing March 17

Hearts & Desires
REFLECTIONS ON
LOVE & MARRIAGE

Contemplate the power of love represented in unique 19th and 20th-century wedding gowns, photos of the Elmhurst brides who wore them, and an array of exquisitely-detailed valentines spanning 100 years. ❤️

EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

MARCH 2019

ADULT PROGRAM

Elizabeth Barrett Browning: The Story of the Sonnets

Thursday, March 7

Time: 7:00–8:00 p.m.

Cost: **FREE**

Location: Elmhurst Public Library, 125 S. Prospect Ave., Elmhurst

Registration Required: Elmhurst Public Library, elmhurstpubliclibrary.org or call 630-279-8696

Three years after their elopement and marriage, Elizabeth and Robert Browning welcomed the birth of their son Pen and mourned the death of Robert's mother. Elizabeth (portrayed by professional actress *Debra Miller*) considers revealing to Robert the romantic sonnets she wrote inspired by letters from their 18-month courtship. Priority to EPL cardholders.



GENERAL HISTORY PROGRAM

Lincoln vs. Douglas Debate

Sunday, March 31

Time: 2:00–3:00 p.m.

Cost: EHF Members: **FREE**

Non-Members: **\$5 + Eventbrite fee**

Location: Elmhurst City Hall Council Chambers, 209 N. York St., Elmhurst

Registration Required: Online at elmhursthistory.org (Adult Programs section) or call 630-530-6879

Political gladiators Abraham Lincoln and Stephen Douglas meet again in Elmhurst City Council Chambers to discuss the turbulent times of the 1850s as America spiraled toward Civil War. Watch two accomplished first-person presenters, *George Buss* (Lincoln) and *Tim Connors* (Douglas), recreate highlights from this historic series of seven debates that took place across Illinois at a crucial time in our country's history.

APRIL 2019

ALL AGES PROGRAM

The Poetry of Carl Sandburg,

Music of Chris Vallillo

Sunday, April 14

Time: 2:00–3:00 p.m.

Cost: **\$5 + Eventbrite fee**

Location: Elmhurst History Museum Education Center

Registration Required: Online at elmhursthistory.org (Adult Programs section) or call 630-530-6879



Popular folk musician *Chris Vallillo*, described as "Illinois's pre-eminent prairie-poet singer-songwriter," presents a combination of Carl Sandburg's poetry paired with his own original music and several selections from Sandburg's American folk song collection. Vallillo's style is often compared to Sandburg, and he is known for evoking the people and places of rural America. 2019 marks the 100th anniversary of Sandburg's Pulitzer Prize honor and his settling in Elmhurst, where he resided until 1928. All ages welcome. *This program is partially supported by a grant from the Illinois Arts Council Agency.*



FAMILY PROGRAM

Spring Break History Hunt

Wednesday, March 27

Time: 11:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Cost: **FREE**

Location: Churchville Schoolhouse (3N784 Church Rd., Bensenville) and Fischer Farm (16W680 Grand Ave., Bensenville)

No Registration Required

Looking for affordable family fun this Spring Break? Families are invited to visit the Churchville One-Room Schoolhouse and Fischer Farm for a history-themed scavenger hunt through the buildings and grounds. **At the Schoolhouse**, kids will participate in early 20th-century lessons, play games, practice penmanship, and make a craft while supplies last. **At the Farm**, tour the buildings and visit the animals. Drop in, no registration required. Appropriate for all ages.



MAY 2019

Elmhurst Museum Day

Sunday, May 19

Time: 1:00–5:00 p.m.

Cost: **FREE**

Locations: Elmhurst History Museum, Elmhurst Art Museum, Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art

Celebrate the 23rd Annual Museum Day in Elmhurst, a special event commemorating the important cultural value of museums to communities. Jump on board the Explore Elmhurst trolley to visit three Elmhurst museums for free admission, family-friendly activities, exhibit tours, refreshments, and more. **Activities at Elmhurst History Museum include:** Explore the new *Worlds of Wonder* exhibit inside the Glos Mansion and participate in amusement park-themed crafts and activities on the Museum grounds (weather permitting). Complimentary face painting, lemonade, and cookies!

SPECIAL EVENT