



Hello Historical Society Members,

The History Museum is open for business!

We reopened on Thursday, September 10th, with regular museum hours of Thursday and Friday 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. and Saturday 10a.m. - 4 p.m. Mask are required for all visitors and volunteers. Even with masks the volunteers' smiling eyes are ready to welcome visitors to the museum.

One of our first visitors was Pleasant Lea Middle School teacher, Joanne Fuchs, shown here recording Docent Susan Sims' tour of the museum. Joanne normally brings her students to the museum at the start of the school year. This year with on-site field trips not possible, she recorded a virtual tour for her students.



We are exploring other virtual opportunities with the R#7 School District and hope to share more examples in the near future.

### Cultural Arts Week

The History Museum will participate in two special Saturday events in conjunction with Lee's Summit's Art and Cultural Week in October. You may have read this information on the museum's website or Facebook page. We are repeating it in this month's newsletter for our members.

On Saturday, October 10th from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. docents at the museum will provide tours



of the History Museum emphasizing the museum's art work. The collection of art work on display illustrates the history of Lee's Summit, its families, farms and buildings. Included are an original 1940 WPA mural, paintings depicting early Lee's Summit, the Howard family stained glass window, Longview's weathervane, refurbished neon art deco light from the Vogue Theater and more.

On Saturday, October 17th, from 2 – 4 p.m. the History Museum invites you to a Pop-Up Drawing Session. Artists of all experience levels are invited to sketch models in vintage costumes alongside local artist Cody Wheelock. This will be an uninstruced session, but Cody welcomes questions. To join him and make your own drawings, please call the museum (816-287-4477) to reserve your space. Space is limited to the first 8-10 artists who respond.

Please bring your own materials. Chairs will be available. This is a free session for the participants with donations to the museum welcome.

Artist Cody Wheelock is Founder and Principal Instructor, Fount Atelier of Fine Art. You can follow him on his website, [www.fountatelier.com](http://www.fountatelier.com)

### Around the Museum

The Howdy Doody Exhibit has been extended through the holiday season since the museum closed shortly after the exhibit opened.

We now have a copy of this 1950's TV show playing in the museum's Vogue area.

Unfortunately our HSLs meetings have been cancelled for the remainder of this year due to COVID-19 and social distancing concerns. The October Membership meeting, originally scheduled for Friday, October 2nd and the December 4th potluck meeting have both been cancelled.



We look forward to resuming special events and meetings in 2021. Like other organizations, we are trying to avoid meetings that would not allow social distancing and appropriate safety precautions.

Our museum volunteers are doing an excellent job of taking precautions for their safety

and the safety of our visitors during this difficult time. We appreciate their continued support of the museum through their volunteer hours.



November 28th is Small Business Saturday and November 29th is Museum Store Sunday this year. We plan to open the museum both days and encourage shopping specials in our museum general store that weekend. More information on this will be available in next month's newsletter.

As always, we will see you at the museum.

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