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# Worcester Historical Museum



**Celebrating the past to inspire the future...**

**News and Events**

**November 2008**

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## Welcome to *PastPresent*: Worcester Historical Museum e-News!

### Lecture Series

*New Views on the American Civil War*

*Lincoln and the Decision for War*

**THIS THURSDAY!, November 6**

Join St. John's High School teacher and historian Dr. Russell McClintock as he takes you through the decisions that ignited the American Civil War.

*George H. Ward and the 15th Massachusetts: From Ball's Bluff to Gettysburg*

**Thursday, November 13**

Local researcher Dr. Peter H. Viles examines the service of Worcester's Colonel George H. Ward and the unit he commanded from their first battle to his death at Gettysburg.

*Civil War/Civil Society*

**Thursday, November 20**

John Balco, former president of the Civil War Roundtable, explores how local communities responded to state enlistment quotas and how they came together to help soldiers and their families after the most devastating war of US history.



### Ongoing exhibitions

#### Going Out in Style

celebrates the fashion and creativity of a local business, Davey's Inc., and a contemporary, Worcester-born fashion designer, Jessie Randall. **Closes November 29th!**

#### The Things We Carried:

Guatemalan Stories  
exhibits items area

Guatemalans carried here with them, the things they have since collected to remind them of their birthplaces, and

**All lectures begin at 5:30 pm and will be held at Worcester Historical Museum.**

**Free with admission and to members of the Civil War Roundtable.**

the traditions they still honor as they became Americans.

### Dear Diary

highlights twelve Worcester residents and looks into the intimate world of their historic diaries.

### In Their Shirtsleeves

tells the ongoing story of the innovators, workers, and investors who made industry the story of Worcester. This permanent exhibition reflects more than one hundred years of collecting by the Worcester Historical Museum.

### *At Salisbury Mansion*

Heads Under Cover: Early American Bonnets

A display of work and fancy bonnets dating from the 1770s through 1850

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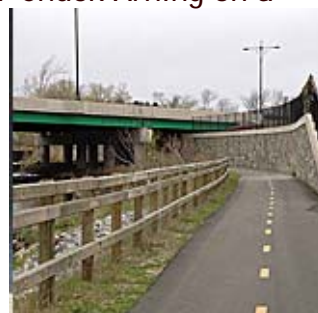
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Museum**  
30 Elm Street  
Worcester, MA 01609

## Walking Tour

### Before the Bike Path

**Sunday, November 9, 2-4 pm** (rain or shine)

Join National Park Service Ranger Chuck Arning on a walking tour of the Blackstone River Bikeway. Discover how the area has changed dramatically over three centuries and mark the 180th anniversary of the Blackstone Canal. The tour will begin at the Bikeway parking lot near the intersection of Millbury (formerly Ballard) and Cliff Streets. Walk for as long and far as you like. Free.



### Sweatshirts now available!

Your favorite "Worcester" T-shirt is now available as a sweatshirt! This is the perfect holiday gift for that hard-to-buy-for person.

Both now available at the WHM Store on 30 Elm Street or by calling (508) 753-8278.



### Last chance to see *Going Out in Style!*

If you have not yet seen the exhibits *Davey's: Worcester Originals* and *Chic & Modern: The Designs of Jessie Randall*, time is running out! This is your last chance to learn about the fashion and creativity of a local business, Davey's Inc., and a contemporary Worcester-born fashion designer, Jessie Randall. Both exhibits close to the public on November 29th.

(508) 753-8278

Museum and Library hours:

Tues. - Sat.

10 am - 4 pm

Thurs. 10 am - 8:30 pm

Salisbury Mansion

40 Highland Street

Worcester

Mansion hours:

Thursday 1 - 8:30 pm

Fri. & Sat 1 - 4 pm

[www.worcesterhistory.org](http://www.worcesterhistory.org)



## We need your support!

Thanks to the generosity of our members and friends, Worcester Historical Museum continues to offer a wide variety of programs and exhibits for all ages.



During these tough economic times, we need your support of the **2008-2009 Annual Fund** more than ever so that we can continue to develop and offer more quality programs in the coming months.

[Click here](#) to make your tax-deductible donation now!

## Digital Fridays

On **November 7th**, in celebration of Veterans' Day, Digital Fridays staff will be at the **National Guard Museum & Archives** at 44 Salisbury St. from 1-3 pm scanning pictures of Worcester's veterans and servicemen.



On **December 4th** (note, this is a Thursday) WHM staff will be at the **Worcester Senior Center** on 128 Providence Street from 1-3 pm.

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