



Museums of the State of Delaware Special-Events Calendar March 2013

Friday, March 1, 2013

Women's History Month program

Governor Markell to proclaim Harriet Tubman Day in Delaware. Delaware's chief executive to issue proclamation declaring March 10 as Harriet Tubman Day in Delaware, plus the Kent County unveiling of DELDOT's [Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad Byway Corridor Management Plan](#). Part of "[Ten for the 10th](#)," ten days of commemorative activities leading up to the 100th anniversary of the death (March 10, 1913) of noted Underground Railroad conductor Harriet Tubman. [The Old State House](#), 25 The Green, Dover, DE 19901. 11 a.m. 302-736-7437.



Harriet Tubman

Saturday, March 2, 2013

"House on Fire: The 209th Anniversary of the John Dickinson Mansion Fire."

"Tis with regret I acquaint you that your house was burnt down on Saturday last." With these words, John Dickinson learned of the destruction of his home. The program will explore the details of the fire and Dickinson's decision to rebuild the mansion. [John Dickinson Plantation](#), 340 Kitts Hummock Road, Dover, DE 19901. Program 10 a.m.–Noon. Museum open 10 a.m.–3:30 p.m. 302-739-3277.

Saturday, March 2, 2013

Women's History Month program

"The Women of Victor." Tours focusing on the talented female vocalists of the Victor Talking Machine Company and how they paved the way for the divas of today, accompanied by early recordings of those artists played on authentic Victor Talking Machines. [Johnson Victrola Museum](#), 375 S. New St., Dover, DE 19901. 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Free admission. 302-744-5055.

Saturday, March 2, 2013

Women's History Month program

"Delaware Styles: The 18th Century." Fashion extravaganza in three parts—"Dyeing to Dress," a program exploring how to dye fabrics; "From Pockets to Petticoats," a program on 18th-century women's clothing; and "Who's Wearing the Pants: Breeches to Trousers," an exploration of men's fashion between 1770 and 1810. [Zwaanendael Museum](#), 102 Kings Highway, Lewes, DE 19958. Program 2–4 p.m. Museum open 10 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Free admission but, due to space restrictions, reservations are required by calling 302-645-1148.

Saturday, March 2, 2013

Women's History Month program

"Better Angels: Signs of the Times." Play by Newark, Del. resident Colin Adams-Toomey about the 1848 trial of abolitionist Thomas Garrett for his role in aiding Emeline Hawkins and her family during their 1845 odyssey on the Underground Railroad from slavery in Maryland, through Delaware to freedom in Pennsylvania. Part of "[Ten for the 10th](#)," ten days of commemorative activities leading up to the 100th anniversary of the death (March 10, 1913) of noted Underground Railroad conductor Harriet Tubman. [The Old State House](#), 25 The Green, Dover, DE 19901. Performances at 2 and 7 p.m. Museum open 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Free admission but, due to space restrictions, reservations are required by 302-657-0650 ext. 10 or by e-mailing info@dhf.org. For additional information, call 302-744-5055.



Scene from "Better Angels: Signs of the Times," a play by Newark, Del. resident Colin Adams-Toomey about the 1848 trial of abolitionist Thomas Garrett who was charged with aiding Emeline Hawkins and her family during their 1845 odyssey on the Underground Railroad from slavery in Maryland, through Delaware to freedom in Pennsylvania. The play will be presented on March 2 and 3, 2013.

Sunday, March 3, 2013

Women's History Month program

"Better Angels: Signs of the Times." Play by Newark, Del. resident Colin Adams-Toomey about the 1848 trial of abolitionist Thomas Garrett for his role in aiding Emeline Hawkins and her family during their 1845 odyssey on the Underground Railroad from slavery in Maryland, through Delaware to freedom in Pennsylvania. Part of "[Ten for the 10th](#)," ten days of commemorative activities leading up to the 100th anniversary of the death (March 10, 1913) of noted Underground Railroad conductor Harriet Tubman. [New Castle Court House Museum](#), 211 Delaware St., New Castle, DE 19720. Performances at 2 and 7 p.m. Museum open 1:30–4:30 p.m. Free admission but, due to space restrictions, reservations are required by calling 302-323-4453.

Monday, March 4, 2013

Women's History Month program

"Women of Color in Early Recorded Music." Programs focus on the women of color who recorded for the Victor Talking Machine Company, accompanied by recordings of those artists played on authentic Victor Talking Machines. Part of "[Ten for the 10th](#)," ten days of commemorative activities leading up to the 100th anniversary of the death (March 10, 1913) of noted Underground Railroad conductor Harriet Tubman. [Johnson Victrola Museum](#), 375 S. New St., Dover, DE 19901. Programs at 10 a.m., Noon and 2 p.m. Museum open 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m. 302-744-5055.

Tuesday, March 5, 2013

"Stories of the Underground Railroad." Program and tour featuring a theatrical portrayal of the lives of Vincent Summers and Samuel Burris; and a brief walking tour of The Green featuring the story of the "Dover Eight." Part of "[Ten for the 10th](#)," ten days of commemorative activities leading up to the 100th anniversary of the death (March 10, 1913) of noted Underground Railroad conductor Harriet Tubman. [The Old State House](#), 25 The Green, Dover, DE 19901. Programs at 10 a.m., Noon and 2 p.m. Museum open 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m. 302-744-5055.

Wednesday, March 6, 2013

Women's History Month program

"The Women of Victor." Tours focusing on the talented female vocalists of the Victor Talking Machine Company and how they paved the way for the divas of today, accompanied by early recordings of those artists played on authentic Victor Talking Machines. [Johnson Victrola Museum](#), 375 S. New St., Dover, DE 19901. 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m. 302-744-5055.



Operatic soprano Rosa Ponselle, one of the vocalists of the Victor Talking Machine Company who will be featured in "The Women of Victor" programs on March 2, 6, 13, 20 and 27, 2013.

Wednesday, March 6, 2013

Women's History Month program

"Free and Enslaved Women on the John Dickinson Plantation." A special tour and demonstration highlighting the lives of free and enslaved women living on St. Jones Neck. Part of "[Ten for the 10th](#)," ten days of commemorative activities leading up to the 100th anniversary of the death (March 10, 1913) of noted Underground Railroad conductor Harriet Tubman. [John Dickinson Plantation](#), 340 Kitts Hummock Road, Dover, DE 19901. Program 11 a.m.–2 p.m. Museum open 10 a.m.–3:30 p.m. 302-739-3277.

Thursday, March 7, 2013

Women's History Month program

"A Woman's World." Explore the art of paper quilling and learn how women lived on the estate of the "Penman of the Revolution." [John Dickinson Plantation](#), 340 Kitts Hummock Road, Dover, DE 19901. Program 11 a.m.–2:30 p.m. Museum open 10 a.m.–3:30 p.m. 302-739-3277.

Friday, March 8, 2013

Women's History Month program

"A Tribute to African American Women in World War II." Lecture by researcher, writer and producer Don Blakey who will discuss the research that influenced the theatrical performance, "It Happened In Des Moines." Part of "[Ten for the 10th](#)," ten days of commemorative activities leading up to the 100th anniversary of the death (March 10, 1913) of noted Underground Railroad conductor Harriet Tubman. [The Old State House](#), 25 The Green, Dover, DE 19901. Program at 6 p.m. Museum open 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m. 302-744-5055.

Saturday, March 9, 2013

Women's History Month program

"Delaware Styles: The 18th Century." Fashion extravaganza in three parts—"Dyeing to Dress," a program exploring how to dye fabrics; "From Pockets to Petticoats," a program on 18th-century women's clothing; and "Who's Wearing the Pants: Breeches to Trousers," an exploration of men's fashion between 1770 and 1810. [John Dickinson Plantation](#), 340 Kitts Hummock Road, Dover, DE 19901. Program 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Museum open 10 a.m.–3:30 p.m. 302-739-3277.

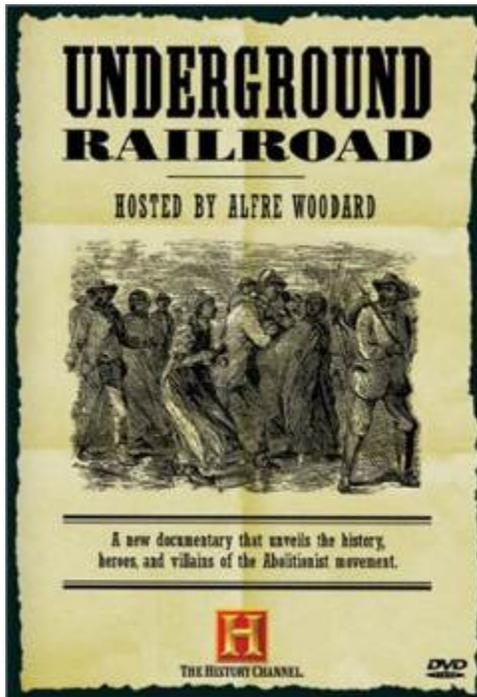
Saturday, March 9, 2013

Demonstrations by the Thistledown Fiber Arts Guild. Program explores spinning, weaving, knitting and other fabric arts. [John Dickinson Plantation](#), 340 Kitts Hummock Road, Dover, DE 19901. Program 1–3 p.m. Museum open 10 a.m.–3:30 p.m. 302-739-3277.

Sunday, March 10, 2013

Women's History Month program

"National Harriet Tubman Day." Special tours and programs celebrating the famed conductor of the Underground Railroad. Part of "[Ten for the 10th](#)," ten days of commemorative activities leading up to the 100th anniversary of the death (March 10, 1913) of noted Underground Railroad conductor Harriet Tubman. [The Old State House](#), 25 The Green, Dover, DE 19901. 1:30–4:30 p.m. 302-744-5055.



Sunday, March 10, 2013

“History Goes Hollywood.” Screening of the film “The Underground Railroad—Hosted by Alfre Woodard.” Part of “[Ten for the 10th](#),” ten days of commemorative activities leading up to the 100th anniversary of the death (March 10, 1913) of noted Underground Railroad conductor Harriet Tubman. [New Castle Court House Museum](#), 211 Delaware St., New Castle, DE 19720. Film at 2 p.m. Museum open 1:30–4:30 p.m. 302-323-4453.

Wednesday, March 13, 2013

Women’s History Month program

“The Women of Victor.” Tours focusing on the talented female vocalists of the Victor Talking Machine Company and how they paved the way for the divas of today, accompanied by early recordings of those artists played on authentic Victor Talking Machines. [Johnson Victrola Museum](#), 375 S. New St., Dover, DE 19901. 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m. 302-744-5055.

Thursday, March 14, 2013

Women’s History Month program

“A Woman’s World.” Revisit the romance of letter-writing to a loved one by writing a letter or personal note with a quill pen and sealing it with wax while also learning about the lives of women on St. Jones Neck through the letters that they wrote. [John Dickinson Plantation](#), 340 Kitts Hummock Road, Dover, DE 19901. Program 11 a.m.–2:30 p.m. Museum open 10 a.m.–3:30 p.m. 302-739-3277.

Saturday, March 16, 2013

St. Patrick’s Day program. Guided tours explore the life of the noted Irish tenor John McCormack, accompanied by recordings by the artist played on authentic Victor Talking Machines. [Johnson Victrola Museum](#), 375 S. New St., Dover, DE 19901. 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m. 302-744-5055.

Saturday, March 16, 2013

“Savory Sussex.” A series of programs on the unique and delectable local flavors of Sussex County, Del., the March 16 event will feature a presentation by [Honeybee Lake Apiary](#), a Frankford, Del. farm producing honey and other bee-related products. [Zwaanendael Museum](#), 102 Kings Highway, Lewes, DE 19958. Program at 2 p.m. Museum open 10 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Free admission but, due to space restrictions, reservations are required by calling 302-645-1148.

Wednesday, March 20, 2013

Women’s History Month program

“The Women of Victor.” Tours focusing on the talented female vocalists of the Victor Talking Machine Company and how they paved the way for the divas of today, accompanied by early recordings of those artists played on authentic Victor Talking Machines. [Johnson Victrola Museum](#), 375 S. New St., Dover, DE 19901. 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m. 302-744-5055.

Thursday, March 21, 2013

Women's History Month program

"A Woman's World." Experience the joys and challenges of hearth cooking and learn how to satisfy an 18th-century sweet tooth while exploring the lives of women living on the estate of the "Penman of the Revolution." [John Dickinson Plantation](#), 340 Kitts Hummock Road, Dover, DE 19901. Program 11 a.m.–2:30 p.m. Museum open 10 a.m.–3:30 p.m. 302-739-3277.

Saturday, March 23, 2013

Women's History Month program

"The Lives of Women on St. Jones Neck." Using primary resources—deeds, wills, journals, letters, tax records manumissions and laws—this workshop will recreate the lives of women living on the John Dickinson Plantation during the 18th century. [John Dickinson Plantation](#), 340 Kitts Hummock Road, Dover, DE 19901. Workshop 10:30 a.m.–Noon. Museum open 10 a.m.–3:30 p.m. 302-739-3277.

Saturday, March 23, 2013

"Remembering Rosedale Beach." Program by Tamara Jubilee-Shaw explores the history of Rosedale Beach near Millsboro, a popular waterfront resort run by, and for, people of color that featured noted performers Louis Armstrong, Lionel Hampton, Duke Ellington, Ella Fitzgerald, James Brown and Aretha Franklin, among many others. [Zwaanendael Museum](#), 102 Kings Highway, Lewes, DE 19958. Program at 2 p.m. Museum open 10 a.m.–4:30 p.m. 302-645-1148.



Wednesday, March 27, 2013

Women's History Month program

"The Women of Victor." Tours focusing on the talented female vocalists of the Victor Talking Machine Company and how they paved the way for the divas of today, accompanied by early recordings of those artists played on authentic Victor Talking Machines. [Johnson Victrola Museum](#), 375 S. New St., Dover, DE 19901. 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m. 302-744-5055.

Thursday, March 28, 2013

Women's History Month program

"A Woman's World." It's beginning to feel like spring. Explore 18th century housekeeping techniques and the lives of women living on the estate of the "Penman of the Revolution." [John Dickinson Plantation](#), 340 Kitts Hummock Road, Dover, DE 19901. Program 11 a.m.–2:30 p.m. Museum open 10 a.m.–3:30 p.m. 302-739-3277.

Saturday, March 30, 2013

Women's History Month program

"Emeline's Journey on the Underground Railroad." Program explores the true story of Emeline Hawkins and her family and their 1845 odyssey on the Underground Railroad from slavery in Maryland, through Delaware to freedom in Pennsylvania. [New Castle Court House Museum](#), 211 Delaware St., New Castle, DE 19720. Program at 2 p.m. Museum open 10 a.m.–3:30 p.m. 302-323-4453.