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1. Clements Library/ U of M (<https://clements.umich.edu/>)

*** “Adopt a Piece of History” Fest, September 9, 2021 starting at 7:00pm. A virtual festivity highlighting rare historical specimens, stories, music, and backstage videos of the library.

*** The Hacke ‘Pirate’ Atlas with Fellows Chet Van Duzer & Danny Zborover, Sep 17, 2021 from 10:00am - 11:00am. In the late 1600’s, English mapmaker William Hacke masterfully produced multiple copies of atlas drawn from captured Spanish sea charts. Research on shipwrecks, entanglements between the Chontal Indigenous people, and English, French and Dutch pirates will be shared.

(From Nadine Hall, Greenhills School, Ann Arbor)

2. Other Michigan Museums

Arab American National Museum (<https://arabamericanmuseum.org/>)

JAM3A (Arabic for “gathering”), a free 4 day virtual music and arts festival celebrating, Arab art, talent, community, and identity. The festival will be live streamed across various platforms from September 23 - 26, 2021.

Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History (<https://www.thewright.org/>)

***The Journey to Reparations Series: “Yes to Fairness - Detroit Speaks”. Featuring attorney Todd Perkins and Michigan Democrat Black Caucus Leader Keith Williams, this panel discussion will center on local reparations initiatives as it relates to Detroit’s unique history in the Reparations movement. Tuesday, September 21, 2021 - 2:00pm - 3:30pm.

***TREEPOSIUM. A tree symposium, brings together notable Detroit artists and speakers to discuss themes such as African material culture, the African American and the tree experience in Detroit, and the science of trees. Tuesday, September 21, 2021 - 6:30PM - 8:30PM.

Holocaust Memorial Center Zekelman Family Campus (<https://www.holocaustcenter.org/>)

Rywka’s Diary - A Girl Lost, a Diary Found - Special Exhibit Opening. This presentation explores the historical context within which Rywka’s diary was written – focusing on the organizational structure of the Łódz ghetto and the nature of life there under Nazi rule – while also reflecting on broader themes raised by Rywka’s compelling narrative and on the continuing importance of such first-person accounts in deepening our understanding of victims’ experiences. This is a hybrid program, of both in person and online attendance options. The program is on Wednesday, September 1, 2021 at 7:00pm - 9:00pm.

(From Nadine Hall, Greenhills School, Ann Arbor)

3. **History News Network** (<http://historynewsnetwork.org/>)

Features articles for Historians: “Historian Rebecca Hall’s New Graphic Novel Highlights Women’s Role in Slave Revolts”, “Historian: Americans All Need to Study Mexico”, and “American Education is Founded on White Race Theory”.

(From Nadine Hall, Greenhills School, Ann Arbor)

4. **Michigan Council on Economic Education**

The MCEE has organized a guide to help teachers get started teaching high school economics in Michigan. It includes topics such as current events, economic ways of thinking, markets, fiscal policy, economic indicators, monetary policy, economic systems, and many others. Check it out at:

<https://www.michiganecon.org/highschool>

(David Hales, Wayne RESA)

5. **Michigan Geographic Alliance**

The Family Geography Night Kit is available on loan from the MGA to help your school host a dynamic event which will invite families to experience geography and think critically while exploring the power of global knowledge. The Family Geography Night Kit contains directions and manipulatives for 10 exciting activities that can be adjusted for your grade level.

The Cost is \$75 to rent the kit. [For more information on the Family Geography Night Kit please click here](#) . [For availability please click here and complete the form](#)

(David Hales, Wayne RESA)

6. **Hauenstein Center for Presidential Studies**

Borrowing from his new book, [The Words that Made Us: America’s Constitutional Conversation, 1760 - 1840](#), Professor Akhil Amar offers a guide for those seeking to understand America's Constitution today and the men who built it. In honor of Constitution Day, and on behalf of Grand Valley State University, the Hauenstein Center, the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Foundation, and Grand Valley State University's Political Science Department are proud to welcome Akhil Amar to Grand Rapids. The presentation is Wednesday, September 15, 2021 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM. You can [RSVP for this event](#) .

(David Hales, Wayne RESA)

7. **Historical Society of Michigan**

The 147th Annual Meeting and Michigan History Conference will be held virtually this year on September 24-25, 2021. Standard registration ends September 23. For more information and to see the conference booklet, see <https://hsmichigan.org/2021/08/08/mhc/>

(From Jana Pisani, Ferris State University)

8 “Bridge” (Center for Michigan)

Article by Ron French, August 4, 2021, “Michigan Schools Can’t Fill Teacher Aide Jobs: ‘There are no applicants’”

(From Jana Pisani, Ferris State University)

9. This Month in History, from The History Place

(<https://www.historyplace.com/specials/calendar/september.htm>)

***September 3, 1783--The Treaty of Paris was signed by John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, and John Jay, thereby ending the Revolutionary War between the United States and Great Britain.

***September 7, 1822--Brazil declared its independence from Portugal after being a Portuguese colony for over 300 years.

***September 14, 1960--OPEC (Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries) was formed in Baghdad by the original five member countries (Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, and Venezuela).

***September 19, 1893--New Zealand became the first country to allow women the right to vote.

(From Jana Pisani, Ferris State University)

10. George Washington’s Mount Vernon

The George Washington’s Mount Vernon website includes links for students to research such topics as the American Revolution, the U.S. Constitution, and key events in the life of George Washington, among others. To access the links, see <https://www.mountvernon.org/education/for-students/>

(From Jana Pisani, Ferris State University)

11. Michigan Oral History Association

The Michigan Oral History Association’s website contains links to a number of oral history databases, including the National Park Service’s Park History Program and the Detroit 67 Oral History Project. To access these links and others, see <https://michiganoha.org/category/regnatslug/>

(From Jana Pisani, Ferris State University)

12. Jim Crow Museum of Racist Memorabilia at Ferris State University

The Jim Crow Museum of Racist Memorabilia’s website includes a link to a resource guide that allows educators to access a collection of websites and articles that cover the topic of racism in the United States. The resource guide also includes a booklist and links to helpful videos. See the resource guide at

<https://www.ferris.edu/HTMLS/news/jimcrow/education/materials/JCMResourceGuide.pdf>

(From Jana Pisani, Ferris State University)

13. Michigan History Center

Did you know that September is International Underground Railroad Month? Michigan History Center is celebrating by hosting weekly virtual events. Each free event will lead participants through specific, Michigan-based events which occurred along the Underground Railroad. Use this resource to brush-up on your U.S. History knowledge, or offer this as an activity for students to engage in. Use the link below to find the schedule and register for a free, virtual event.

https://www.michigan.gov/mhc/0,9075,7-361-61086---M_2021_09,00.html

(from Kailie Burk , Rockford Schools)

14. Grand Rapids Public Museum

Take a peek into Ancient Egypt from West Michigan. The Grand Rapids Public Museum now has its own collection of Egyptian artifacts, including the mummy Nakhte-Bastet-Iru. Enjoy the exhibit on your own or utilize the Museum's resources to teach students about early civilizations and empires. Read more and purchase tickets using the link below.

<https://www.grpm.org/exhibits/be-curious/>

(from Kailie Burk , Rockford Schools)

15. Gilder-Lehrman

If you are a teacher wanting to increase racial and ethnic diversity in your curriculum, Gilder-Lehrman should be your first stop. The Institute has gathered a multitude of primary and secondary resources to help students see how Black Americans have been integral to the development of the United States, right from the beginning. Peruse the many resources available using the link below.

<https://www.gilderlehrman.org/history-resources/curriculum/black-lives-founding-era>

(from Kailie Burk , Rockford Schools)

16. Henry Ford Museum

The inHub Community is live at the Henry Ford Museum! inHub offers a free, basic membership which provides educators with access to all kinds of history resources, including curriculum and professional development. The aim of inHub is to engage kids of all backgrounds in history, help

them get excited about the innovations the world has seen over time, and to inspire future innovators. Use the link below to see what inHub can offer you!

<https://inhub.thehenryford.org/>

(from Kailie Burk , Rockford Schools)

17. **Library of Congress**

<https://www.loc.gov/classroom-materials/change-in-early-20th-century-america-doing-the-decades/>

“Change in Early 20th Century America: Doing the Decades” Analysis of themes in U.S. history and culture across several decades, using primary and secondary sources.

(from Dick Cooley, GVSU)

18. **River Raisin National Battlefield Park**

<https://www.nps.gov/thingstodo/river-raisin-heritage-trail.htm>

Enjoy the River Raisin Heritage Trail. Get on your bike and enjoy 8 miles of paved trail within the Battlefield Park.

(from Dick Cooley, GVSU)

19. **Colonial Williamsburg**

EighteenthCenturyLetterWriting.pdf (From Teacher Resources on the website)

Students explore the difference between written communication today and the 18th Century, using primary sources as models. Maybe your students will find out that texting and writing are two entirely different things!

(from Dick Cooley, GVSU)

20. **PBS**

<https://www.pbslearningmedia.org/resource/27cb1a1d-9455-4760-ac70-363926e367db/glenn-h-curtiss-museum/>

Video from the Glenn Curtiss Museum in Hammondsport, New York. This video’s intended audience is for grades 3-5 and spotlights the inventor, Glenn Curtiss, who pushed the boundaries of speed on land and in the air in the late 1800s and early 1900s.

(from Dick Cooley, GVSU)

21. National Women's Hall of Fame

<https://www.womenofthehall.org/nwhfinduction/2021induction/>

This link features the 2021 induction into the Hall of Octavia Butler, Judy Chicago, Rebecca Halstead, Mia Hamm, Joy Harjo, Emily Howland, Katherine Johnson, Indra Nooyi and Michelle Obama. There are short biographies of each of these extraordinary women on this link.

(from Dick Cooley, GVSU)

22. ZOOM into Lansing for Michigan State Capitol Tour

Are you interested in taking your students on a tour of the historic Michigan State Capitol? Concerned that cost or distance will prevent you from offering your students this great learning experience? Then, you need to check out the NEW ZOOM State Capitol Tour. Matt Van Ake, Director, State Capitol Tours, said, "We are delighted to have the opportunity to share our beautiful Capitol with your group." ZOOM Tours can be scheduled by calling (517) 373-2353. To assist Zoom tour guests in preparation for the tour there are multiple resources available at the Capitol website including links to Capitol videos and educational booklets such as: Getting to Know Michigan, How a Bill Becomes a Law, Michigan in the American Civil War, Guide to Capitol Architecture and Monuments and many other titles. For more info, visit <http://www.capitol.michigan.gov/Tours>

23. Michigan Supreme Court Learning Center offers Virtual Resources

Check out the many resources available at the Michigan Supreme Court Learning center website at <https://courts.michigan.gov/education/learning-center/Pages/default.aspx>

They offer many Education Resources as well as details on how to schedule a tour of the Learning Center for your students. (Tours suspended until COVID-19 status is reduced.) To learn about the Michigan Supreme Court, including a brief discussion of its Court's structure and operating procedure, visit <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RaXR92Lhc8>

NOTE: Check out the Constitution Day (virtual), September 17. Commemorate the signing of the Constitution in 1787 with 30-minute webinars about this founding document. Each session will include a question period with a member of the judiciary. Registration required. To view the Program Announcement visit <https://courts.michigan.gov/education/learning-center/Documents/LC-ConstitutionDay2021.pdf>

(from Jim McConnell, Dearborn Schools--retired)