



Heritage Village Museum

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First-Person Program Series

**July 9, July 16, July 30, August 6, August 13, August 20, and August 27, 2021
7 p.m.**

SHARONVILLE, Ohio – Heritage Village Museum and Educational Center is hosting the First-Person Program Series on Friday evenings in July and August. Each program begins at 7:00 p.m. and includes dessert. Learn about notable people of the past from the presenters who will be dressed in historical clothing. The cost for each program is \$17 for members and \$20 for non-members. Attend three or more programs and take advantage of special pricing. Reserve your tickets by calling (513)-563-9484.

Jean Rankin - July 9

Jean Rankin was an abolitionist and a conductor on the Underground Railroad. Between 1825 and 1865, Jean and her family assisted over 2,000 people who took refuge in her home on their way to freedom. The Rankin House in Ripley, Ohio is situated along the banks of the Ohio River and was the first stop in the North for many people who were escaping from slavery.

John Cleves Symmes - July 16

John Cleves Symmes will be here to talk about how he petitioned Congress for a grant of two million acres of land in the Northwest Territory, otherwise known as the Miami Purchase. On Jan. 1789, his small flotilla of flatboats launched from the shore of Maryville filled with courageous men willing to take this promising journey with him. In his earlier years, he fought in the War of Independence and made acquaintances with names you will recognize from history books. Many of those same people helped him achieve his history changing purchase.

James and Dolley Madison - July 30

James Madison served as the President of the United States. Learn the intimate details of his work framing the Constitution and later serving as the Secretary of State. The famous couple will also talk about their early life together and the historical events they lived through, like the

Louisiana Purchase, the Lewis and Clark Expedition, and the War of 1812. They later retired to Montpelier and will elaborate further on their experiences there.

Laura Ingalls Wilder - August 6

The “Little House on the Prairie” series was based on Laura Ingalls Wilder's childhood experiences. She will talk about what caused her to put pen to paper. You will have the chance to meet a Mrs. Wilder who has had time to reflect on the series she wrote and how she better understood her past after she dictated it.

Aaron Burr - August 13

This program picks up where the musical, Hamilton, leaves off. Aaron Burr was politically ruined after shooting Alexander Hamilton in a duel. He headed west and conspired to carve a new nation out of Ohio, Kentucky, the Louisiana Purchase, and Northern Mexico. Whether you view him as a hero or villain, it's difficult to argue that the events that follow will have you on the edge of your seat!

Martha Washington- August 20

It is difficult to be the first of something, and as the original first lady of the of the United States, Martha Washington set the standard for how other first ladies should strive to be. She thought her turbulent years were behind her when she left the White House, but returning to normal life seemed to be just out of her grasp. Martha will talk about the events that followed George stepping down from his role as President and how she once again rose to meet the challenges life threw her way.

General John Hunt Morgan- August 27

Dubbed the “Thunderbolt of the Confederacy,” John Hunt Morgan cast fear into the hearts of many as the cunning king of the horse thieves. The name Thunderbolt speaks of the immense stamina he possessed, which allowed him to lead over 2,000 cavalymen on the Great Raid, the longest raid of the Civil War. In July of 1863, this raid wreaked havoc across Kentucky, Indiana, and Ohio, but could there be more to his story than first meets the eye?

Heritage Village Museum and Educational Center is operated by Historic Southwest Ohio (HSO), a private, non-profit organization that owns and operates the buildings and collections of Heritage Village Museum and Educational Center. Heritage Village Museum and Educational Center is a picturesque gathering of 13 authentic historical buildings that represent various aspects of family life during the 1800s. These buildings include historic homes, a train station, a doctor’s office, a general store, and a church. Heritage Village Museum and Educational Center is located inside Sharon Woods Park, behind Sharon Center at 11500 Lebanon Rd. Sharonville, Ohio 45241. A Great Parks of Hamilton County parking permit may be required.

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