



2006-2007 Workshops

Looking for ways to help your National History Day (NHD) students? Teachers and students are invited to attend special NHD workshops to further enhance their program experience and skill areas. Please review the following opportunities!—read carefully for recommended prerequisites and other details. Workshops are free to attend unless noted otherwise.

SPACE IS LIMITED and will fill quickly—so call today! Participation will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis. RSVP to Naomi Peuse at Naomi.Peuse@iowa.gov or 515.281.6860 with the following information:

number of students and adults attending

list of student topics (if available)

Be sure to **RSVP at least two weeks prior** to the event to avoid workshop cancellation.

If concerns regarding weather arise on the workshop day, please call Naomi Peuse at 515.281.6860.

Teacher Training

AEA 267, Cedar Falls, Thursday, October 5, 2006, 8:30 AM-3 PM

Join District and State History Day staff to further explore the NHD process. Concurrent sessions will be offered to assist teachers both novice and veteran—the novice session focusing on program basics and implementation; the veteran session highlighting more advanced methods of historical research and presentation. In addition, the workshop will cover the 2007 theme, on-line databases, and documentary strategies for all participants. A break will be offered for lunch on your own.

Introduction to National History Day

ITAG & ICSS Conferences

State History Day staff will be making presentations at both the ITAG Conference, October 9 & 10 (Hotel Fort Des Moines, Des Moines), and the ICSS Conference, October 16 & 17 (Airport Holiday Inn, Des Moines). Presentations will offer a general program overview and project samples. Teachers new to or curious about the NHD program are encouraged to attend. Please note: Teachers are not allowed to attend the NHD session without registering for the conference. An RSVP is unnecessary.

St. Ambrose University Teacher Workshop

St. Ambrose University, Davenport, Friday, October 20, 2006, 5-7 PM

St. Ambrose welcomes teachers to an evening discussion about the NHD program, the theme, various local topic ideas, on-line research tools, and the new website category. This is an exciting opportunity to talk with colleagues about the program and other classroom implementation strategies. A light dinner will be served.

Getting Started

State Historical Building, Des Moines, Wednesday, October 25, 2006, 9 AM-12 PM

This workshop will offer a general introduction to National History Day and feature tips from the state staff related to the annual theme, “Triumph and Tragedy in History,” picking a good topic, research tricks and strategies, & much more! Lunch is on your own. The workshop will not include time to tour the exhibits, teachers should allow extra time if this is desired.

Beginning your NHD Research

Graceland University, Lamoni, Monday, October 30, 2006, 10 AM-12 PM

Students will learn the basics of historical research at this workshop. State History Day staff will train best practices in effective research. Then, Graceland University Library Staff will offer a library tour and information about their collections. Students should come with a tentative topic in mind and will have optional time in the afternoon to do research. Lunch is on your own.

Iowa State University Library Resources

Iowa State University, Ames, Wednesday, November 8, 2006, 10 AM-2 PM

Iowa State University Library and Special Collections staff will be guiding students through university library research with facility tours as well as information regarding the finding aids. The state staff will be on hand to answer questions and help navigate students. Participants should come with a topic in mind as time will be available in the afternoon to do research. A break will be offered in the schedule for lunch, but specific dining plans should be arranged on your own.

An Introduction to NHD at the Grout

Grout Museum, Waterloo, Tuesday, November 14, 2006, 9 AM-12 PM

This workshop will introduce the basics of historical research. Grout Museum staff will offer an introduction to research in their facility as well as a host of local topic ideas. This workshop is appropriate for students at any level. Lunch is on your own. The workshop may include a short presentation in the exhibits, but will not allow for extensive viewing. Teachers should allow extra time if this is desired.



Teachers: Please help us advertise this workshop to your students and parents!

Specialized Library Research

State Historical Society of Iowa (SHSI), Iowa City, Saturday, November 18, 2006, 10 AM-12 PM

Students will obtain an introduction to the library and archives collection at the State Historical Library in Iowa City. Participants are encouraged to stay and do independent research as specialists will be at the ready to offer specific, one-on-one advice in the afternoon. The library is open until 4:30. Students should have a topic selected and have basic secondary research on their topic completed. Those with topics related to Iowa history will have the most research success. Due to the limited scope of SHSI's collection, students should submit their topics in advance and will be notified if the library collection has material to offer to ensure the best possible workshop experience. The History Day staff will be on hand to offer advice and feedback. Lunch is on your own.

Getting Started on your NHD Journey

Herbert Hoover Presidential Library, West Branch, Tuesday, November 28, 2006, 9 AM-12PM

This workshop is designed to teach NHD students the basics of historical research. Special features include best practices in historical research, topic selection ideas, and a special "behind the scenes" tour of the Hoover Library and its archives. Appropriate for NHD students at any level. Lunch is on your own. The workshop may include a short presentation in the exhibits, but will not allow for extensive viewing. Teachers should allow extra time if this is desired.

University of Iowa Library Resources

University of Iowa, Iowa City, Tuesday, December 5, 2006, 9 AM-2 PM

University of Iowa's Main Library, Special Collections, and Iowa Women's Archives staff will be guiding students through university library research. Special presentations will help students get acclimated to the vast collections held at UI. The state staff will be on hand to answer questions and help navigate students. Students should come with a topic in mind as time will be available to do research. A break will be offered in the schedule for lunch, but specific dining plans should be arranged on your own.

North Iowa Area Community College (NIACC) Library Resources

NIACC's Beem Center, Mason City, Monday, December 18, 2006 10 AM-2 PM

Library and state staff will be introducing students to research with a facility tour as well as tricks and tips to effective internet research and resource suggestions. The state staff will be on hand to answer questions and help navigate students. Students should come with a topic in mind as time will be available to do research. A break will be offered in the schedule for lunch, dining plans will be determined as a group.

Buena Vista University Library Resources

Buena Vista University (BVU) Library, Storm Lake, Monday, January 8, 2007, 9 AM-12PM

BVU Library staff will be guiding students through University Library Research with a facility tours as well as information regarding research tools. The state staff will be on hand to answer questions and help navigate students. Students should come with a topic in mind as time will be available to do research. Groups are welcome to stay and research in the afternoon, however, lunch is on your own.

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Category Exploration

Herbert Hoover Presidential Library, West Branch, Monday, January 22, 2007, 9 AM-12 PM

This workshop will aid students in designing a project that best demonstrates their research. Students will learn what is needed to make a strong final product in their category (paper, exhibit, performance, documentary, website). Prior to attending, students should have started their research and have a general idea of what type of project they plan to create. Lunch is on your own. The workshop may include a short presentation in the exhibits, but will not allow for extensive viewing. Teachers should allow extra time if this is desired.

Bring Your Project

State Historical Building, Des Moines, Friday, February 2, 2007, 9:30 AM-4:30 PM

Students are invited to bring their quasi-completed project, ideas, and materials to receive personal, no-stress feedback. State staff and other volunteers will offer suggestions to best prepare for upcoming district events. Projects will be given an individual 20 minute time slot for feedback. Time slots will be announced in advance to aid in travel planning. Large school groups should consider bringing research materials to work on while classmates are receiving individual attention. Lunch arrangements can be made upon request but will require a lunch fee.

Summer Professional Development Teacher Workshop

State Historical Building, Des Moines, July 25-27, 2007, 9 AM-4:30 PM (*times are tentative*)

This intense 3-day workshop is designed to offer greater exploration of NHD's central elements such as in-depth research, the judging criteria (or rubric), primary vs. secondary sources, presentation mediums, and the 2007-2008 theme, as well as highlighting implementation strategies. Participants gain insight from peers through discussions and a material swap. All teachers, both novice and veteran, are welcome. Special presenters will be announced via the Iowa listserv in May 2007. The cost is \$75, which includes a light breakfast, lunch, and curriculum materials. Continuing Education credit through Heartland AEA and Drake Graduate credit are also available (additional fees apply). RSVP with your summer contact information (home phone number or e-mail).

Design Your Own

Your Neighborhood, IA, your day, your time

Did you know that the state staff travels? We are willing to collaborate with any research facility in your area.* Determine the place you would like to meet and a time that works best for you and your students and we will make every effort to be there! When practical, we would like to include as many students as possible and reserve the right to invite others along!

* NHD in Iowa will attempt to collaborate with any facility that opens its doors to students and teachers free of charge.

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NHD's Largest Program Discussion

Thousands of teachers from across the country participate in National History Day. Take part in their discussions, concerns, questions, and advice through the H-HistoryDay listserv. The discussion list allows participants to share methodological and thematic ideas, approaches, and problems. Both veteran and novice History Day teachers can benefit from this open exchange of ideas. The list also involves public historians, professors of history, and research specialists linking you to historical professionals around the country!

To enroll, visit www2.h-net.msu.edu/~histday/

Receive Important NHD In Iowa updates!

Due to the rising cost of postage, National History Day in Iowa is utilizing an e-mail listserv for regular teacher updates! Those registered hear about the **latest news** regarding National History Day in Iowa, receive **teaching tips and strategies**, and discover **last-minute workshops and materials** that may become available throughout the year. National History Day in Iowa does not share your information with other organizations and you are free to unsubscribe at any time. Join us! **Send a blank e-mail message* to join-teacherupdate@lists.ia.gov to register.**

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