

# ELMHURST HISTORY MUSEUM

**Calendar of Events:**  
December 2023 –  
February 2024



**EXPERIENCE CHICAGO'S ICONIC RETAILERS  
FROM THE PAST THIS HOLIDAY SEASON**

# CONTINUING EXHIBIT



**Through January 28, 2024**

Take a nostalgic trip back to the heyday of Chicago area department stores like Marshall Field's, Sears, Carson Pirie Scott, and more. Through an array of artifacts, images, video, memorabilia, and interactive elements, the exhibit, produced in collaboration with historian and author Leslie Goddard, explores the evolution of the retail industry and brick-and-mortar stores beginning in the late 1800s and shares fascinating stories and items from popular city and suburban department stores of the past. Highlights of the exhibit include animatronic characters from Marshall Field & Co.'s 2004 Snow White & the Fairest of the Them All holiday windows, interactive displays, including a vintage hat try-on station and a video interview with Marshall Field V, and a look inside Elmhurst's own department stores, including Ollswang's, Ruby's, and The Elm. **Sponsored by:**

## Lost CHICAGOLAND DEPARTMENT STORES

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It's about time.

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& DURKIN**  
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# WINTER PROGRAMS & EVENTS

## DECEMBER 2023

### HOLIDAY EVENT

#### **Sip Local with Brewpoint Coffee**

**Saturday, December 2**

*Time:* **11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

*Cost:* **FREE**

*Location:* **Brewpoint Craft Elmhurst,**

617 N. York St., Elmhurst

*Reservations Required:* **[elmhursthistory.org](http://elmhursthistory.org)**



Listen to holiday-themed Americana music performed by Old Town School of Folk Music Musicians Anna Jacobson and Jonas Friddle from 11:00 – 11:45 a.m. and 12:15 – 1:00 p.m., enjoy “Behind the Scenes: Marshall Field’s and Christmas,” a short lecture at 11:45 a.m. from former Director of Windows and Marketing Events for Marshall Field’s and Macy’s, Amy Meadows, and visit the Elmhurst History Museum table to learn more about our latest exhibition. The first 50 patrons will also receive a free specialty coffee on the museum!



### BUS TOUR

#### **Macy's on State:**

#### **The Legacy of Marshall Field's Tour**

**Tuesday, December 5**

*Time:* **9:15 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.**

*Cost:* **\$35/person**

*Location:* **Meet at Elmhurst History Museum**

**Education Center**

*Reservations Required:* **[elmhursthistory.org](http://elmhursthistory.org)**

Take a step back in time with a behind-the-scenes tour of Macy's on State Street, the former home of Marshall Field & Co. Depart from the museum via coach bus and learn about *Lost Chicagoland Department Stores* from Museum Curator Sarah Cox on the ride downtown. Enjoy a one-hour tour of Macy's with an official Chicago Architecture Center docent who will trace the history of the building as a renowned retail establishment and explore famous locations, including the century-old great clocks, the Tiffany vaulted ceiling, and the Walnut Room. Afterwards there will be limited time to shop in the iconic store. Limit 25.

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## JANUARY 2024

### GALLERY TALK

#### ***Lost Chicagoland Department Stores***

**Sunday, January 14**

*Time:* **12:00 – 1:00 p.m.**

*Cost:* **FREE**

*Location:* **Elmhurst History Museum**

**1st Floor Gallery**

*Reservations Required:* **elmhursthistory.org**



Did you miss November's sold-out gallery talk? Now is your chance to join Curator of Exhibits Sarah Cox for a guided tour through the *Lost Chicagoland Department Stores* exhibit. Includes exclusive access to the museum galleries, the opportunity to view an array of fascinating artifacts and images, and listen to highlights about the history of Chicago and suburban department stores.



### ADULT LECTURE

#### ***Local Legends Lecture***

**Sunday, January 21**

*Time:* **2:00 – 3:00 p.m.**

*Cost:* **FREE** to Members, **\$5** to Non-Members

*Location:* **Elmhurst History Museum**

**Education Center**

*Reservations Required:* **elmhursthistory.org**

Elmhurst has been home to a number of individuals who made their mark not just on the community they called home, but on the national and even international stage. From magicians, artists, architects and poets to sports heroes, politicians, adventurers and social reformers, join Museum Executive Director Dave Oberg to learn about some of the fascinating people who called Elmhurst home and left a legacy that endures to this day.

**FREE ADMISSION TO THE MUSEUM AND EXHIBITS**

*More Info:* **elmhursthistory.org** or call **630-833-1457**



# FEBRUARY 2024

## CRAFT WORKSHOP

### **Victorian Valentine's Workshop**

**Sunday, February 4**

*Time:* **11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

*Cost:* **\$4/person**

*Location:* **Elmhurst History Museum Education Center**

*Reservations Required:* **[elmhursthistory.org](http://elmhursthistory.org)**



Love is in the air! Visit the museum to create a Valentine just in time for the holiday. All materials will be provided. At 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m., learn about the origin of Valentine's cards and the popular Vinegar Valentine's, the not so sweet sister to traditional cards. All ages welcome.

## GALLERY TALK

### **Harriet Tubman: Alive and Free**

**Sunday, February 11**

*Time:* **2:00 – 3:00 p.m.**

*Cost:* **FREE** to Members, **\$5** to Non-Members

*Location:* **Elmhurst History Museum Education Center**

*Reservations Required:* **[elmhursthistory.org](http://elmhursthistory.org)**

Join actress Pamela Welcome for this heart rendering, emotion packed characterization of the trials and tribulations of the phenomenal and renowned leader of the Underground Railroad, Harriet Tubman. Focusing on specific hardships that Tubman had to endure and eventually overcome throughout her life, this program concludes with a powerful spirit and song-filled first-person characterization of Harriet Tubman alive and free!



# Elmhurst History Museum

120 E. Park Ave.  
Elmhurst, Illinois 60126

OPEN  
SATURDAY  
MORNING!

Phone: **630-833-1457**  
Email: **ehm@elmhurst.org**

Museum Hours:

**Sunday, Tuesday – Friday: 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.**

**Saturday: 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**Closed Mondays & Holidays**

Admission: **FREE**

[elmhursthistory.org](http://elmhursthistory.org)



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