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Online history speaker series returns in 2021 at the Willamette Heritage Center

SALEM, OR – The Willamette Heritage Center and Oregon State Capitol Foundation present “Zooming Back to History” for its second year of the monthly online history speaker series. The series will return starting February 9, 2021 at 7 p.m. via Zoom. This public online gathering seeks to share historical perspectives of topics related to the Mid-Willamette Valley and beyond. Each speaker will talk about their topic for approximately 30 minutes, followed by a live Q&A session.

“Zooming Back to History: An Online History Speaker Series”

\$10/speaker or \$30/series

Tuesdays • February 9, March 9, April 13, & May 11, 2021 • 7 p.m.

Learn more about the series and submit payment at: www.willametteheritage.org/zooming-back-to-history/

“Zooming Back to History” Speakers:



February 9: Ellen Eisenberg, Willamette University

When History Collides with the Present: Tales from the 21st Century Classroom

Global pandemic, economic crisis, rising extremism, protest in the streets, insurrection, contested elections, racialized violence, impeachment. In this talk, I'll reflect on the ways in which the history I teach has collided with our present moment.



March 9: Zachary Stocks, Oregon Black Pioneers

Black Exclusion in Early Oregon: Some common questions answered and why it matters today

By addressing frequently asked questions head on, Zachary Stocks will reveal how the territory and state of Oregon created legal and social barriers which prevented Blacks from fully participating in society, and how Oregonians reinforced these barriers with violence and intimidation.



April 13: Kimberly Jensen, Western Oregon University

Gender and “Enemy Alien” Registration in Oregon during the First World War

During the First World War, the United States registered, policed, and interned residents who were citizens of enemy nations. This presentation will examine the registration and surveillance of non-citizen “enemies” in Oregon with attention to gender and gender identity.



May 11: Kimberli Fitzgerald, City of Salem

Uncovering Salem's Chinese Shrine

Join Kimberli Fitzgerald, archaeologist and historic preservation officer with the City of Salem, to learn about the public archaeology project that uncovered the shrine-one of the few remnants of the city's early Chinese immigrant history-and how the practice of public archaeology can help amplify the stories of Oregon's historically marginalized communities.

The Willamette Heritage Center, unification between Mission Mill Museum (1964) and Marion County Historical Society (1950), is a stroll through the history of the Willamette Valley. Its 5-acre campus is home to the 1841 Jason Lee house (arguably the oldest wooden framed house in Oregon), 1841 Willamette Mission Parsonage, 1847 John Boon home, 1858 Pleasant Grove Church and the 1896 Thomas Kay Woolen Mill, named an American Treasure by the National Park Service. As a private non-profit association, for more than sixty years WHC has established a reputation as a leader in the preservation and interpretation of Oregon's history. The museum's histories are shared with visitors through daily group tours, speakers, living history, children's programs, hands-on activities, special events, publications, the museum store and rental facilities. For more information call 503-585-7012 or visit www.willametteheritage.org.

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