



## The Maryland Center for History and Culture Announces Free Fall Programs

*Enjoy virtual lectures, trivia, onsite exhibition tours, and more from September to December*

**BALTIMORE, Md. (September 13, 2021)** – The [Maryland Center for History and Culture](#) (MCHC) has a new line-up of free fall public programs—both virtual and in-person—that history lovers statewide and beyond can enjoy onsite at the Museum or from the comfort of their own homes.

Here are highlights:

- **Unlocking the Exhibition: Creating *Losing Winter***  
**Thursday, September 16 | 6-7 PM | Virtual**  
Get an inside look at the new exhibition and participatory art project, [Losing Winter](#), and how the photograph collections at both MCHC and UMBC complement and juxtapose collected memories of winter. [Learn more.](#)
- **Flickering Treasures Curator Tour with Joe Tropea**  
**Saturday, October 2 | 1-2 PM | In-Person**  
Reminisce on a special tour of [Flickering Treasures: Rediscovering Baltimore's Forgotten Movie Theaters](#) with Joe Tropea, MCHC Curator of Films & Photographs. This event is part of Doors Open Baltimore. [Learn more.](#)
- **From Slave to "Self-Taught Genius": Joshua Johnson the Fells Point Portraitist**  
**Thursday, October 14 | 12–1 PM | Virtual**  
Joshua Johnson is recognized as one of the first professional African American portraitists in the United States. In this behind-the-scenes conversation with Mark Letzer, MCHC President & CEO, learn more about the people Johnson painted in his Fells Point community, and explore the nationally significant collection of Joshua Johnson portraits at MCHC. [Learn more.](#)

### **Miller History Fund Grantee Spotlight**

**Thursday, October 21 | 12-1 PM | Virtual**

The Thomas V. "Mike" Miller Jr. History Fund, administered by MCHC, supports long-term resiliency and efficacy of museums, historic sites, and other organizations that make up Maryland's vibrant heritage community. This virtual program spotlights three recent Miller History Fund grantees: Preserving a Local Legacy Collection, by Blacks of the Chesapeake; Lexington Market Public History Program, by the Market Center Merchants Association; Focusing on the Future of Maryland's Multimedia Archive, by the Mid-Atlantic Regional Moving Archive (MARMIA). [Learn more.](#)

- Colonial Market Virtual Tavern Trivia**  
**Thursday, October 28 | 7-8:30 PM | Virtual**  
 Join in 18th-century fun as we bring you the best of our annual Colonial Market, and also celebrate the opening of the exhibition [The Unfinished Revolution: Maryland in the Wars for Independence](#). Trivia topics include themes from this new exhibition that explore the tension, conflict, and turmoil of America's emergence onto the world stage between 1775 and 1815 and how Marylanders were at its forefront. [Learn more.](#)
- Blue, Gold, and Buff: The Recreation of Tench Tilghman's Uniform with Historic Tailor Neal Hurst**  
**Thursday, November 4 | 12-1 PM | Virtual**  
 Go behind the scenes to learn how the rare surviving uniform of Revolutionary War hero, Lt. Colonel Tench Tilghman (1744-1786), was reproduced for MCHC's latest exhibition, [The Unfinished Revolution: Maryland in the Wars for Independence](#). [Learn more.](#)
- Let's Talk About Weather: Changing Patterns in Maryland**  
**Wednesday, November 10 | 12-1 PM | Virtual**  
 How have your memories of winter changed throughout your lifetime? Join a discussion about changing weather patterns over time and the impact of the earlier onset of spring on plant species in Maryland. [Learn more.](#)
- Sailing to Freedom: A Maritime History of Maryland's Underground Railroad**  
**Thursday, December 9 | 12-1 PM | Virtual**  
 In coastal regions such as Maryland, the Chesapeake Bay provided an extensive waterway system that served as a crucial passage to freedom, but until recently the maritime dimension of the Underground Railroad was neglected. Learn where and how enslaved Marylanders made their way to freedom using the water with Timothy D. Walker, PhD, editor of *Sailing to Freedom Maritime Dimensions of the Underground Railroad*, and contributor Cheryl Janifer LaRoche, PhD. [Learn more.](#)

View MCHC's full fall [program calendar](#). Registration is required for all events.

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**The Maryland Center for History and Culture (MCHC)** collects, preserves, and interprets the history, art, and culture of Maryland. Originally founded as the Maryland Historical Society in 1844, MCHC inspires critical thinking, creativity, and community through its museum, library, and education programs.

The Museum and H. Furlong Baldwin Library are currently open Wednesday-Saturday. Museum hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Library hours are 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Learn more at [mdhistory.org](#), including MCHC's [safety procedures](#).

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