



Fall Reopening Planned

BALTIMORE, MD (May 27, 2020) – Leadership at the Maryland Historical Society* has announced the museum and library will remain closed to the public through the summer, with an anticipated fall opening date to be determined.

“We have continued to monitor COVID-19 in Maryland, and have made this decision out of an abundance of caution for our employees and guests,” said Mark Letzer, President and CEO, Maryland Historical Society. “We will continue to offer our web-based learning opportunities to Maryland students, and will continue to enhance our new virtual line-up as we strive to bring interesting conversations, presentations and interactive programs to our virtual guests.”

Recent virtual programs, free to registrants, have seen record attendance. These include a discussion with a noted department store historian discussing the iconic Hutzler’s and historic Howard Street shopping corridor and a happy hour discussion connecting the impact fashion has on the popular show, *The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel*. Upcoming virtual programs include a wine and chocolate virtual date night on May 28, and another that will explore the history and significance of the oyster industry along the Chesapeake.

The [Collecting in Quarantine](#) initiative continues. A nod to the museum’s 175-year-legacy of collecting history, Letters from the Homefront written submissions, and Business Unusual photograph submissions that document this time of self-quarantine, can be submitted through the website. Select submissions will become part of MdHS’s future collections, and will be shared with *The Baltimore Sun*. One hundred years from now, present-day essays and photographs will grant historical perspective for the next challenge our nation faces.

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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 offers a museum, library, and education programs to inspire critical thinking, creativity, and community. Learn more at mdhistory.org.

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