



“The History of Fashion presented at Grey Roots Museum & Archives”

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Attention Fashion lovers! If you have ever wondered how some of today's most iconic fashion items came to be, plan on attending the 2nd Annual Fall Lecture Series at Grey Roots Museum & Archives. This year's theme, “The History of Fashion,” complements the new Grey Roots original exhibit, *Fabric of our Lives: What Were You Wearing?*

On Tuesdays at 2:30 p.m. starting on **October 27, 2009** and continuing until **November 17, 2009**, local vintage clothing collector, costume maker, popular guest speaker, and Grey Roots customer service staff member, Wendy Tomlinson, presents a series of delightful talks featuring spectacular examples of antique, vintage clothing, and accessories from her extensive private collection.

October 27, 2009 – From Pockets to Purses: The History of the Handbag

From homespun pioneer ‘pockets’ to elaborately beaded Edwardian era reticules and the whimsical designs of the 1950s, explore the origins of an essential fashion accessory - the purse.

November 3, 2009 - Heads Up: The History of Hats

Delve into the history of hats and headwear, when it was unthinkable to be seen in public without one and no fashionable outfit was complete without a complementing millinery concoction on your head.

November 10, 2009 – Rationed Fashion: Clothing of the War Years

With limited supplies and patriotic pressures, nothing had greater impact on the fashion industry and the way we dressed than the First and Second World Wars.

November 17, 2009 – Underneath It All: The History of Undergarments & Lingerie

Dispelling the mysteries hidden beneath our clothes, Wendy Tomlinson not only mentions the 'unmentionables', but discusses them in fascinating detail.

All lectures take place in the Grey Roots Theatre and are free with regular admission and for museum members. A complimentary coffee break follows each lecture.

Visitors who purchase or renew a Grey Roots Membership at the lectures will receive a special gift.

Fall Lecture Series Details:

Dates: Tuesdays from October 27, 2009 – November 17, 2009

Time: 2:30 p.m.

Location: Grey Roots Museum & Archives

Cost: Regular admission applies, Members always free

For a complete view of the current and future exhibits and events, visit

<http://www.greyroots.com/exhibitions/> and <http://www.greyroots.com/programs-events/events/>

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About Grey Roots Museum & Archives:

Grey Roots Museum & Archives has grown and developed into a unique facility from the County Museum's beginning in 1955 and the later establishment of a County Archives in 2000 in order to promote and preserve the heritage of Grey County. With the consolidation of the Grey County Museum, Grey County Archives, and Tourism in 2004, Grey Roots has become a multi-faceted attraction. Innovative and informative interpretive programs and demonstrations, rotating exhibits, a heritage village, archival resources and superior customer service come together to create an exciting and educational visitor experience.

Grey Roots Museum & Archives

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