

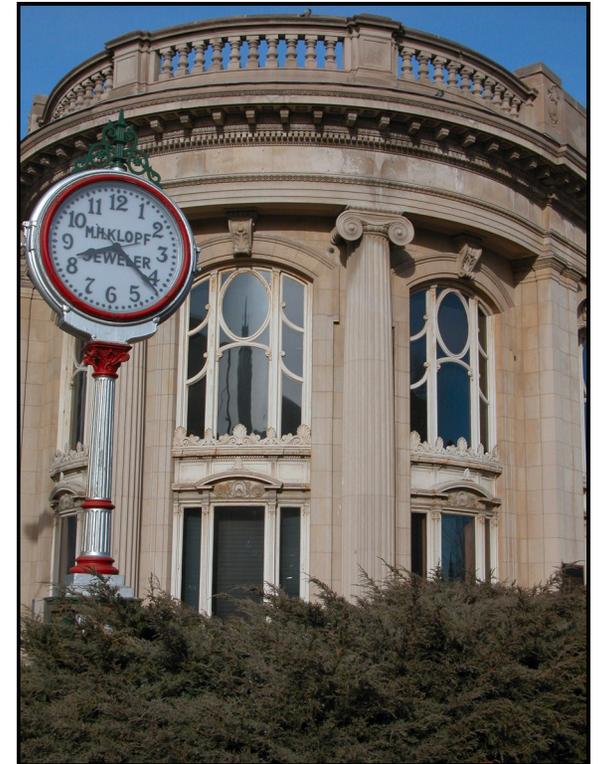
The Milwaukee County Historical Society staff offers on-site and off-site presentations about a variety of topics related to Milwaukee County history. The following is a list of popular presentation topics based on the areas of expertise of the staff or those topics that are often requested.

Not what you had in mind? You are invited to request presentations on specific topics and if we are able, we are happy to create the presentation specifically for your group, lecture or other event.



- ⌚ Presentations must be scheduled in advance and it is requested that you contact the Society **at least two weeks before your desired date.** However, as much advanced notice as possible is best, especially for special request topics.
- ⌚ Presentations are usually 45 minutes to one hour but can be adjusted by request.
- ⌚ A donation of **\$75** is requested, per presentation, to cover the staff time and if needed, travel. Custom presentation fees available upon request.

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**Milwaukee County
Historical Society
Speaker Presentations**

🕒 **Take Me Out to the Ball Game**

Milwaukee has always been a city that loves baseball. This presentation hits it out of the park for sports lovers.

🕒 **Digging Through the Years**

The Research Library of the Milwaukee County Historical Society has a wide variety of information about the history of the City of Milwaukee and Milwaukee County. Whether you are researching your family history or have an interest in a particular part of our local history, our collections may have the information you are looking for.

🕒 **Four Famous Milwaukeeans:**

The stories of

- Mathilde Anneke: educator
- Alexander Mitchell's first insurance company (bank)
- John Clarence Cudahy: lawyer, hunter and diplomat
- Increase Lapham: self-educated scientist

🕒 **Improvisation, Syncopation, & Swing Notes**

Ever since John H. Wickcliffe and his Famous Ginger Jazz Band played at the Schlitz Palm Garden in the late 1910s, Milwaukee has had a small, but vibrant jazz community made up of musicians, promoters, club owners, and aficionados. This talk discusses some of the principle figures and venues that have contributed to the rich history of Milwaukee's jazz scene and how that scene fits in to the national context

🕒 **The Travels of Jacques Marquette**

By canoe from Canada to Illinois to Milwaukee

🕒 **Milwaukee's Holiday Traditions**

Remember Billie the Brownie, the Holiday Parade and other traditions? We do. Let's reminisce together.

🕒 **The Milwaukee County Historical Society: An Overview**

The Historical Society is responsible for the care of approximately 50,000 artifacts that connect to Milwaukee and Milwaukee County history. These artifacts are collected and cared for with the purpose of connecting Milwaukee's past to the present, with a focus on the future. What do we have, what can you see, how can you experience the Society and more!

🕒 **Milwaukee Landmarks**

Over the course of the last 30 years, 94 properties within all of Milwaukee County's cities, villages and towns have been designated Milwaukee County Landmarks. We'll discuss several of them.

🕒 **The War to End All Wars**

This lecture will examine the Milwaukee home front during World War I and will discuss the good, the bad, and the ugly sides of how city residents responded to the military, social and economic demands of the conflict.

🕒 **Milwaukee: City of Festivals**

While most people think of the festivals held at Henry Maier festival park, the origins of the city's passion for festivals goes back to the mid 19th century – from the earliest Sangerfests and Turnfest to the major festivals of today.

🕒 **A City of Three Rivers**

A Chronological history of the settlement of Milwaukee in context of world events.

🕒 **Our Community:**

From the vibrancy of the late 1920s and early 1930s to the Civil Rights Movement of the 60s, and beyond, learn about the history of the African American community in Milwaukee.

🕒 **Pride in Place**

Explore the highlights of Milwaukee's architecture and built environment and how people in and outside of Milwaukee view and approach the city.

🕒 **Letters from the Front : 1861-1865**

In years past, the written letter brought news from soldiers, kept families connected and relayed orders to the troops. We'll consult correspondence and dispatches from MCHS's Civil War Collection for news from the front and at home.

🕒 **Through the Lens of a Master**

The photographs of Lyle Oberwise

🕒 **The Wisconsin State Fair is a Great State Fair!**

From its 1851 start in Janesville to its current location in West Allis, learn about the history of this annual event.

🕒 **"Roosevelt's Tree Army"**

The work of the Civilian Conservation Corps in Milwaukee County.

🕒 **A Meeting With the Mayor**

Hear about the life and times of one of Milwaukee's founding fathers and the city's second mayor, Byron Kilbourn.

