If there is another history museum in the metropolitan Chicago area that you would like added to the *History Around Town* directory, please write to:

The President's Office
Chicago History Museum
1601 N. Clark St.
Chicago, IL 60614

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**A. Philip Randolph Pullman Porter Museum**

Established to promote, honor and celebrate the legacy of A. Philip Randolph and contributions made by African-Americans to America's labor history.

**Location:**
10406 S Maryland Ave
Chicago, IL 60628
Mail: Hughes/Peterson Publishing
P.O. Box 6276
Chicago, IL 60680-6276
Phone: 773-850-8580
[www.aphiliprandolphmuseum.org](http://www.aphiliprandolphmuseum.org)

**Addison Historical Museum**

A collection of local history featuring artifacts from Native American and German Lutheran populations, including farm implements, furniture, and medical tools.

**Location:**
135 Army Trail Blvd
Addison, IL 60101
Mail: One Friendship Plaza
Addison, IL 60101
Phone: 630-628-1433
E-mail: museum@addison-il.org
[http://www.addisonadvantage.org/History/HistoricalSite.htm](http://www.addisonadvantage.org/History/HistoricalSite.htm)

**American Historical Society of Germans from Russia (AHSGR) Northern Illinois Chapter**

Founded in 1978 to bring together those members of the German population in Northern Illinois who had shared history in Russia.

**Meeting Location:**
Eden United Church of Christ
American Indian Center

To promote the fellowship among Indian people of all Tribes living in metropolitan Chicago, and to create bonds of understanding and communication between Indians and non-Indians in this city.

Location:
1630 W Wilson Ave
Chicago, IL 60640
Phone: 773-275-5871
http://www.aic-chicago.org

Arlington Heights Historical Museum

Offers a variety of school and youth programs directed towards the hands-on learning of community history.

Location:
110 W Fremont St
Arlington Heights, IL 60004
Phone: 847-255-1225
http://www.ahmuseum.org

Balzekas Museum of Lithuanian Culture

Features examples of Lithuanian coins, music and rare folk art prints, as well as the stories of important members of the community.

Location:
6500 S Pulaski Rd
Chicago, IL 60521
Phone: 773-582-6500
http://www.balzekasmuseum.org/

Barrington Area Historical Society
Highlighted by educational programs, a body of curriculum for 3rd graders focuses on local history with changing exhibits.

**Location:**
212 W Main St  
Barrington, IL 60010  
Phone: 847-381-1730  
[www.barringtonhistorymuseum.org/index.html](http://www.barringtonhistorymuseum.org/index.html)

**Bartlett Depot Museum**

Interprets and shares the legacy of the community's railroading heritage with the public through exhibitions, education and media to increase awareness and knowledge of the past, present and future significance of the railroad industry in Bartlett.

**Location:**
100 W Railroad Ave  
Bartlett, IL 60103  
Phone: 630-837-0800  

**Bartlett History Museum**

Strives to preserve Bartlett's landmarks, heritage and artifacts.

**Location:**
228 S Main St  
Bartlett, IL 60103  
Phone: 630-837-0800  

**Bensenville Historical Society**

**Location:**
900 West Wood Ave.  
Bensenville, IL 60106  
Phone: 630-238-1844

**Berwyn Historical Society**

Dedicated to collecting and preserving historical information about the city of Berwyn.

**Location:**
1241 Oak Park Ave  
Berwyn, IL 60402  
Mail: P.O. Box 479
Bloomingdale Historical Society

Collects oral and written memorabilia pertaining to Bloomingdale.

Location:
101 Fairfield Way
Bloomingdale, IL 60108
Mail: 108 W Lake Street
Bloomingdale, IL 60108
Phone: 630-582-8101
Contact Name: Bonnie Homola
E-mail: hellobonnie@aol.com

Bloomingdale Park District Museum

Location:
108 S. Bloomingdale Road
Bloomingdale, IL
Phone: 630-339-3570
E-mail: bpdmuseum@bloomingdaleparks.org
http://www.bloomingdaleparks.org/facilities/bpd-museum.htm

Blue Island Historical Society

Created to establish and illustrate the growth and development of the Blue Island area through a variety of media.

Location:
Albee House
13018 Maple Ave
Blue Island, IL 60406
Phone: 708-371-8546
E-mail: events@blueislandhistoricalsociety.com
http://www.blueisland.org/historical-society/

Bolingbrook Historic Preservation Commission

Location:
375 W Briarcliff Rd
Bolingbrook, IL 60440
Phone: 630-226-8400
Bronzeville Historical Society

To preserve, protect, collect and perpetuate the records of African Americans who live or lived in Chicago.

Location:
Douglas Tomb State Historic Site
Douglas Monument Park
636 East 35th Street
Chicago, IL 60616
Phone: 312-428-8033
E-mail: bronzevillehistoricalsociety@gmail.com
https://bronzevillehistoricalsociety.wordpress.com/

Brookfield Historical Society

Location:
8820 ½ Brookfield Ave
Brookfield, IL 60513-1602
Phone: 708-485-3420
E-mail: director@brookfieldhistory.org
http://www.brookfieldhistory.org/index.htm

Calumet City Historical Society and Museum

Established to preserve and celebrate the history of the Calumet City region. A museum has exhibits, research room, and monthly meetings. Hosts an annual heritage day at the 1836 log cabin in the fall.

Location:
760 Wentworth Ave
Calumet City, IL 60409
Mail: P.O. Box 1917
Calumet City, IL 60409
Phone: 708-832-9390
E-mail: calcityhistory@aol.com
http://www.calumetcityhistoricalsociety.org/

Cambodian Association of Illinois

To enhance the cultural awareness as well as the self-sufficiency of Cambodian immigrants in the Chicago area.
Location:
2831 W Lawrence
Chicago, IL 60625
Phone: 773-878-7090
E-mail: info@cai-nationalmuseum.org
http://www.cai-nationalmuseum.org/

Carol Stream Historical Society

Founded to help celebrate the nation's bi-centennial and features a program entitled “I Remember When” to help visitors share in the past of the Carol Stream Area.

Location:
301 W Lies Rd
Carol Stream, IL 60188
Phone: 630-665-0686
E-mail: carolstreamhistorical@comcast.net
http://www.carolstreamhistorical.com

Chicago Jewish Historical Society

To discover, preserve and share information about the Jewish experience in the Chicago Area.

Location:
610 S Michigan Ave
Chicago, IL 60605-1901
Phone: 312-663-5634
E-mail: info@ChicagoJewishHistory.org
http://chicagojewishhistory.org/

Chicago Lawn Historical Society

Houses information and articles in the Chicago Branch Public Library.

Location:
6120 S Kedzie Ave
Chicago, IL 60629
Mail: 4043 W. 63rd St.
Chicago, IL 60629
Phone: 312-582-8778

Chicago Portage, Friends of

Friends of the Chicago Portage promotes the historic interpretation, ecological restoration and the appropriate development of the Chicago Portage National Historic Site through volunteer
advocacy, public events and other projects that raise public awareness of its history and significance.

**Location:**
Located in Portage Woods Forest Preserve
4800 S. Harlem Ave
Lyons, IL 60402
Mail: Friends of the Chicago Portage 1011 Lyon Ct.
Aurora, IL 60506
Contact Name: Gary Mechanic
Phone: 773-590-0710
E-mail: gbmechanic@gmail.com
http://drupal.library.cmu.edu/chicago/

**Chicago Portage National Historic Site**
Preserves the key historic site, *Chicago's Plymouth Rock*, that was treaded on by American Indians, the explorers Joliet and Marquette, and the eventual founders of Chicago. Located in Portage Woods Forest Preserve on the west side of Harlem Ave.

**Location:**
536 N Harlem
River Forest, IL 60305
Mail: I&M Canal NHC Civic Center Authority
PO Box 501
Willow Springs, IL 60480
http://www.civiccenterauthority.org/pages/portsite.htm

**Crystal Lake Historical Society/The Colonel Palmer House**
1858 Greek Revival House with cobblestone foundation. Society's Research/Archives room open to the public.

**Location:**
660 E Terra Cotta
Crystal Lake, IL 60039
Mail: P.O. Box 1151
Crystal Lake, IL 60039-1151
Phone: 815-455-1151
E-mail: info@cl-hs.org
http://www.cl-hs.org

**Darien Historical Society**
**Location:**
7422 South Cass Ave.
Darien, IL 60561-3608
Phone: 630-964-7033
http://www.darien.il.us/Community/Historical-Society.aspx

**Deerfield Area Historical Society**

Features preserved pioneer buildings and carriages, as well as a museum and store.

**Location:**
517 Deerfield Road
Deerfield, IL 60015-4450
Mail: P.O. Box 520
Deerfield, IL 60015
Phone: 847-948-0680
E-mail: deerfieldhistory@gmail.com
www.deerfieldhistoricalsociety.org

**Des Plaines History Center**

Facilities include the 1907 Kinder House museum, the 1916 Fisher-Wright house, and Visitor Center which houses local history archives, exhibits on Des Plaines history and a children's play room.

**Location:**
781 Pearson St
Des Plaines, IL
Phone: 847-391-5399
E-mail: contact@desplaineshistory.org
http://www.desplaineshistory.org

**Downers Grove Park District Museum**

Founded to preserve local history through a museum, volunteer preservation, a library and special events based on old-time themes.

**Location:**
Wandschneider Park
831 Maple Avenue
Downers Grove, IL 60515
Phone: 630-963-1309
http://www.dgparks.org/places-to-go/the-museum

**DuPage County Historical Museum**
Featuring a model railroad, a family room of the 1890’s, and hand-washing activities for kids, the story of DuPage County History is being continually added to at the Museum.

**Location:**
102 E Wesley St
Wheaton, IL 60187
Phone: 630-510-4941
http://www.dupagemuseum.org/

**DuSable Museum of African American History**

Named after a Haitian fur trader, the Museum is dedicated to preserving the cultural and historic legacy of the African-American community in Chicago.

**Location:**
740 E 56th Pl
Chicago, IL 60637
Phone: 773-947-0600
http://www.dusablemuseum.org/

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**Edgebrook Historical Society**

Founded to coincide with the Old Edgebrook Landmark District, the Society preserves artifacts and photos of the Old Edgebrook Landmark District and communities of Edgebrook, Sauganash, and Forest Glen.

**Location:**
6173 N McClellan
Chicago, IL 60646
Phone: 773-774-4651
E-mail: janstessl@aol.com
http://www.edgebrookhistoricalsociety.com/

**Edgewater Historical Society**

Founded after the Edgewater Centennial celebration, and dedicated to preserving the history of the area.

**Location:**
5358 N Ashland Ave
Chicago, IL 60640
Phone: 773-506-4849
http://www.edgewaterhistory.org

**Ela Historical Society**
Elgin Area Historical Society

Location:
360 Park Street
Elgin, IL 60120
Phone: 847-742-4248
E-mail: museum@elginhistory.org
www.elginhistory.org

Elmhurst Historical Museum

Explore the history of Elmhurst and more at this award-winning museum housed in the historic Glos Mansion built circa 1892. Featured exhibits include: permanent exhibits on the history of Elmhurst and the Glos Mansion, national traveling exhibits on a broad range of topics, and temporary exhibits of local interest.

Location:
120 E Park Ave
Elmhurst, IL 60126
Phone: 630-833-1457
www.elmhursthistory.org

Ernest Hemingway Foundation Museum

Dedicated to the twenty years of his life that Ernest Hemingway spent growing as a writer in Oak Park.

Locations:
200 N Oak Park Ave
Oak Park, IL 60302
Mail: P.O. Box 2222
Oak Park, IL 60303
Phone: 708-524-5383
E-mail: ehfop@sbcglobal.net
http://www.ehfop.org/

The Ernest Hemingway Birthplace Home
Evanston History Center

Founded in 1898, the Charles Gates Dawes House is the centerpiece of the Center's efforts to preserve the history of the Evanston Community.

Location:
225 Greenwood St
Evanston, IL 60201
Phone: 847-475-3410
http://evanstonhistorycenter.org/

Filipino American Historical Society of Chicago

Location:
5472 S Dorchester Ave
Chicago, IL 60615
Phone: 773-947-8696

Flagg Creek Heritage Society

Visit the restoration of an 1856 farmhouse.

Location:
7425 S Wolf Road
Burr Ridge, IL 60527
Phone: 708-246-1064
E-mail: info@flaggcreekheritagesociety.com
www.flaggcreekheritagesociety.com

The Life and Times of Florence Kelley in Chicago, 1891-1899

This online archive is a project of the Northwestern University School of Law.

http://florencekelley.northwestern.edu/

Frances Willard House Museum
This home of the famous woman reformer has maintained many family heirlooms in the setting of her Gothic Revival Victorian home. The archives hold Willard's personal papers, and the records of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

**Location:**
1730 Chicago Ave
Evanston, IL 60201
Phone: 847-328-7500
E-mail: info@franceswillardhouse.org
www.franceswillardhouse.org

**Frankfort Area Historical Society**
Displays local history and pioneer records, plus children's displays and artifacts.

**Location:**
132 Kansas St
P.O. Box 546
Frankfort, IL 60423
Phone: 815-469-6541
http://www.frankforthistoricalsociety.org/

**Franzosenbusch Heritage Project**
Contains within its walls the c.1850's first Lutheran schoolroom and teacher's quarters in Proviso Township. Converted to a farmhouse in c.1860, the structure now features historic displays and natural resource information and serves as an orientation center for Wolf Road Prairie tours, programs and events.

**Location:**
11225 Constitution Dr
Westchester, IL 60154
Phone: 708-531-1851
http://www.franzosenbuschheritagesociety.org/

**George S. Clayson House Museum**
Dedicated to the collection and preservation of local history. Also features a cemetery walk.

**Location:**
224 E Palatine Rd
Palatine, IL 60078
Phone: 847-991-6460
http://www.palatineparks.org/rccms/location/clayson-house-museum/
Glen Ellyn Historical Society

The Society runs Stacey's Tavern Museum, as well as works to assign local landmarks with historic status.

Location:
800 N Main St.
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137
Phone: 630-469-1867
E-mail: info@glenellynhistory.org
http://www.gehs.org/

Glencoe Historical Society

The Society preserves historic artifacts from the community of Glencoe, IL.

Location:
375 Park Ave
Glencoe, IL 60022
Phone: 847-835-0040
E-mail: info@glencoehistory.org
http://www.glencoehistory.org/

Glenview Area Historical Society

The museum features an 1864 farmhouse and a library of photos and artifacts from the Glenview area.

Location:
1121 Waukegan Rd
Glenview, IL 60025
Phone: 847-724-2235
www.glenviewhistory.org

Glessner House Museum

A house, controversial in its time, is used to look back on an era of urbanization in Chicago, through fashion trends, consumerism and industrial achievement.

Location:
1800 S Prairie Ave
Chicago, IL 60616
Phone: 312-326-1480
E-mail: info@glessnerhouse.org
http://www.glessnerhouse.org/
Graue Mill & Museum

Boasting the only operating water wheel gristmill in northern Illinois, the Museum also puts on milling, spinning and weaving demonstrations daily. The basement, once a stop on the Underground Railroad, now houses an exhibit of artifacts and documents relating to slavery and the Civil War.

Location:
3800 York Rd
Oak Brook, IL 60523
Phone: 630-655-2090
E-mail: info@grauemill.org
http://www.grauemill.org

Grayslake Heritage Center & Museum

Exhibits artifacts related to the history of Grayslake and the area.

Location:
164 Hawley St
Grayslake, IL 60030
Mail: P.O. Box 185
Grayslake, IL 60030
Phone: 847-223-7663

Great Lakes Naval Museum

The Great Lakes Naval Museum tells the history of the United States Navy with particular emphasis on the Navy's only "boot camp" at the Naval Training Station/Center at Great Lakes, Illinois. The museum serves as a visible reminder of the Navy's strong roots in the Midwest and the station's hundred-year history as a center of recruiting, training and pride.

Location:
US Naval Station
Building 42
610 Farragut Avenue
Great Lakes IL 60088
Phone: 847-688-3154
E-mail: glnm@navy.mil

Greater Harvard Area Historical Society

Established to display artifacts and history from military, school and farm life in the Harvard area.
**Location:**
308 N Hart Blvd
Harvard, IL 60033
Phone: 815-943-3614

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**Hellenic Museum & Cultural Center**

To preserve and showcase the Greek-American immigrant experience, heritage, and art work.

**Location:**
333 S Halsted Street
Chicago, IL 60661
Phone: 312-655-1234
[www.nationalhellenicmuseum.org](http://www.nationalhellenicmuseum.org)

**Highland Park Historical Society**

Contains a collection of memorabilia on Walter Duhrban of "Walt's Workshop," a popular 1950's TV show.

**Location:**
494 Laurel Avenue
Highland Park, IL 60035
Phone: 847-432-7090

**Hinsdale Historical Society**

Until 1973, the history of the Hinsdale community was rotting away in various attics. The establishment of the Historical Society has served to bring together the memorabilia the region has to offer.

**Location:**
15 S Clay St.
Hinsdale, IL 60522
Mail: P.O. Box 336
Hinsdale, IL 60522
Phone: 630-789-2600
E-mail: info@hinsdalehistory.org
[http://www.hinsdalehistory.org](http://www.hinsdalehistory.org)

**Historic Pullman Foundation**
Established to serve as a vehicle for preservation and restoration activities within the Pullman Historic District in Chicago, Illinois.

**Location:**
11141 S Cottage Grove Ave
Pullman, IL 60628
Phone: 773-785-8901
E-mail: foundation@pullmanil.org
http://www.pullmanil.org/

**Historic Wagner Farm**

Historical working farm that preserves and demonstrates the traditions and way of life of the early 20th Century American Dairy Farm.

**Location:**
1510 Wagner Road
Glenview, IL 60025
Phone: 847-657-1506
www.wagnerfarm.org/

**Historical Society of Cicero at Cicero Public Library**

**Location:**
5225 West Cermak Rd
Cicero, IL 60804
Phone: 708-652-8084

**Historical Society of Forest Park/ Forest Park Public Library**

Discover, collect, publicize and display material pertaining to the history of Forest Park.

**Location:**
1000 Elgin Ave
Forest Park, IL
Mail: P.O. Box 311
Forest Park, IL 60130
Phone: 708-232-3747
E-mail: forestparkhistory1975@gmail.com
http://forestparkhistory.weebly.com/

**Historical Society of Oak Park & River Forest**

Located on the second floor of the National Historic Landmark, Pleasant Home; Museum, Research Center, and Public Programs tell the story of the community with a focus on notable figures in the history of the Oak Park and River Forest area, including F.L. Wright, Ernest
Hemingway, Tarzan creator Edgar Rice Burroughs, and African American scientist Dr. Percy Julian.

**Location:**
217 Home Ave
Oak Park, IL 60302
Mail: P.O. Box 771
Oak Park, IL 60303-0771
Phone: 708-848-6755
E-mail: oprhistorymatters@sbcglobal.net
http://www.oprhistory.org/

**Homewood Historical Society**

Features an 1891 house museum, public programs and bus tours.

**Location:**
2035 W 183rd St
Homewood, IL 60430
Mail: P.O. Box 1144
Phone: 708-799-1896
E-mail: wright1817@sbcglobal.net
http://homewoodhistoricalsociety.com

**Hoosier Grove Museum**

Originally built as a one-room schoolhouse in 1904 on the corner of Old Church and Barrington Roads, the museum now regularly features school programs.

**Location:**
700 W Irving Park Rd
Streamwood, IL 60107
Phone: 630-483-3137
E-mail: mbardoni@spdcare.com
http://www.hoosiergroveuseum.com

**Hyde Park Historical Society**

Exhibits the history of the Hyde Park, Kenwood and Woodlawn communities of Chicago's South Side.

**Location:**
5529 S Lake Park Ave
Chicago, IL 60637
Phone: 773-493-1893
Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center

Examines historical events of the Holocaust and WWII period, as well as exhibiting modern student reflection in the form of art and poetry.

Location:
9603 Woods Dr.
Skokie, IL 60077
Phone: 847-967-4800
E-mail: info@ilhmec.org
http://www.ilholocaustmuseum.org/

Illinois Labor History Society

The Illinois Labor History Society encourages the preservation and study of labor history materials of the Illinois Region, in order to arouse public interest in the profound significance of the past to the present.

Location:
430 S Michigan Ave, Room AUD1851
Chicago, IL 60605
Phone: 312-341-2247
E-mail: ilhs@prodigy.net
www.illinoislaborhistory.org

Illinois Railway Museum

Founded to demonstrate the importance of railways in the founding of the Chicago area and the United States, and to preserve early railroad cars.

Location:
7000 Olson Rd
Union, IL 60180
Mail: P.O. Box 427
Phone: 815-923-4000
http://www.irm.org/

Indo-American Center

Dedicated to assist South Asian immigrants to Chicago through services that facilitate their adjustment, integration and friendship in a wider society.
Irish American Heritage Center

Originally opened by the President of Ireland, Ms. Mary Robinson, in 1991, the museum includes a tapestry by Lily Yeats, a grand piano, and the first organ from St. Patrick's Church in Illinois.

Irving Park Historical Society

Location:
3801 N Keeler Ave.
Chicago, IL 60641
Phone: 773-777-2750
E-mail: history.oldIrvingPark@gmail.com

Isle a la Cache Museum

The Museum Interprets the Great Lakes fur trade and life in the Illinois Country of the 18th century. It is situated on an island in the Des Plaines River used by traders and travelers for hundreds of years.

Itasca Historical Depot Museum

Features a continuing exhibit on Dr. Elijah Smith, as well as rotating exhibits on topics including Itasca's WWII veterans.

Location:
101 N Catalpa Ave
Jane Addams Hull-House Museum

The museum and historic house serve as a dynamic memorial to Jane Addams, the work of her associates, and the neighborhood they served.

Location:
800 S. Halsted St (M/C 051)
Chicago, IL 60607
Phone: 312-413-5353
E-mail: jahh@uic.edu
http://www.hullhousemuseum.org

Joliet Area Historical Museum

The Museum offers interactive exhibits for all ages. Follow a path from the original American Indian settlers, to Joliet's "hometown hero" who determined the successful path for America's first Moon landing. Located on the corner of Historic Route 66 and the Lincoln Highway, this is one of only two places in the nation where these two famous roads cross. Both are now National Scenic Byways.

Location:
204 Ottawa St.
Joliet, IL 60432
Phone: 815-723-5201
www.jolietmuseum.org

Joliet Jr. College Living Education History Museum

A one-room school, nature trails and planetarium give visitors an experience from the 1860's through the 1930's.

Location:
1215 Houbolt Rd
Joliet, IL 60431
Phone: 815-729-2525
E-mail: fieldtripcoordinator@jjc.edu.

Kenilworth Historical Society
Holding more than 1,200 artifacts and a collection of photographs, the Society attempts to give visitors a sense of Kenilworth's place in larger historical events.

**Location:**
415 Kenilworth Ave
Kenilworth, IL 60043
Phone: 847-251-2565
E-mail: kenilworthhistory@sbcglobal.net
http://www.kenilworthhistory.org

**Korean American Resource and Cultural Center**

**Location:**
6212 N. Lincoln Ave.
Chicago, IL 60659
Phone: 773-588-9158
E-mail: krcc@chicagokrcc.org
www.chicagokrcc.org

**La Grange Area Historical Society**

Founded in 1972 to provide the means for the research and study of the heritage of La Grange.

**Location:**
444 S LaGrange Rd
La Grange, IL 60525
Phone: 708-482-4248
http://www.lagrangehistory.org

**Lake County Discovery Museum**

Contains the nation's largest permanent exhibition on the history and significance of postcards.

**Location:**
27277 N Forest Preserve Rd
Wauconda, IL 60084
Phone: 847-968-3400
http://www.lcfpd.org/museum/

**Lake Forest/Lake Bluff Historical Society**

Strives to make local history come alive in community life.

**Location:**
361 E Westminster
Lakes Region Historical Society

Collects and preserves items pertinent to the early years of the Antioch and Chain O'Lakes region.

Location:
817 Main St
Antioch, IL 60002
Phone: 847-395-4912
E-mail: Info@lakesregionhistory.org
www.lakesregionhistory.org

Lansing Historical Society & Museum

Preserves Lansing history, including the renovation of a train depot.

Location:
2750 Indiana Ave
Lansing, IL 60438
Mail: P.O. Box 1776
Lansing, IL 60438
Phone: 708-474-6160
E-mail: LansingHistoricalSociety@yahoo.com
http://www.lansingpl.org/historical.html

Lemont Area Historical Society & Museum

Offers groups tours, weddings, genealogical research and volunteer training programs.

Location:
306 Lemont St
Lemont, IL 60439
Phone: 630-257-2972
E-mail: lemonthistorical@gmail.com
www.lemonthistorical.org/

Libertyville-Mundelein Historical Society

The home of Ansel B. Cook, preserved from 1878 is here saved, as well as a collection of local historical artifacts.
Lisle Heritage Society

Many new programs each year, Depot Days celebration of the agricultural ways of the community's past, blacksmithing classes, and a recreation of an old-fashioned Christmas. Check out the website and blog for upcoming events.

Location:
921 School St
Lisle, IL 60532
Mail: 1011 Division St.
Lisle, IL 60532
Phone: 630-968-0499
E-mail: Museum@lisleparkdistrict.org
http://lisleheritagesociety.org/index.html
http://lislemuseum.wordpress.com/

Lockport Area Genealogical & Historical Society

Strives to shape and preserve local family heritage and history.

Location:
222 E 9th St
Lockport, IL 60441
E-mail: Info@lockporthistory.org
http://www.lockporthistory.org/default.htm

Lombard Historical Museum

An 1840's house museum deals with the issues of abolition, temperance, the underground railroad and early pioneer life.

Location:
23 W Maple St
Lombard, IL 60148
Mail: 23 W Maple St
Lombard, IL 60148
Phone: 630-629-1885
E-mail: info@lombardhistory.org
www.lombardhistory.org
**Long Grove Historical Society**

Showcases historic farmhouses in the community.

**Location:**
338 Old McHenry Rd  
Long Grove, IL 60047  
Phone: 847-634-6155  
E-mail: admin@LongGroveHistory.org  
www.longgrovehistory.org

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**Manhattan Township Historical Society**

Founded in 1986 to preserve local history.

**Location:**
255 S State St  
Manhattan, IL 60442  
Mail: P.O. Box 269  
Manhattan, IL 60442  
Phone: 815-478-4530  
E-mail: ManhattanHistorical@yahoo.com  
http://www.villageofmanhattan.org/index.asp?SEC=AC69E7BF-0740-4DA6-A0B2-3F9C06CE04D0&DE=ED689FC3-A227-4590-857B-F13B3B73CA5F&Type=B_BASIC

**Matteson Historical Museum**

Among more traditional artifacts, their collection includes washing machines, farm equipment and seats from the Illinois Central Railroad.

**Location:**
813 School Ave  
Matteson, IL 60443  
Phone: 708-283-4985  
http://www.villageofmatteson.org/departments/historicalmuseum/

**Maywood Historic Preservation Committee**

Houses documents and memorabilia on display for the public.

**Meeting Location:**
125 S 5th Ave  
Maywood, IL 60153  
Phone: 708-343-1847 (Maywood Public Library)
E-mail: maywoodhistorical@gmail.com

McHenry County Historical Society and Museum

Museum houses changing local history exhibits; excellent local history library with an 1847 log cabin and one room school on site. Regularly held programs, events; classes are conducted on site. A mobile museum, "The James" is available. Two other historic buildings are off site.

Location:
6422 Main St
Union, IL 60180
Mail: P.O. Box 434
Union, IL 60180
Phone: 815-923-2267
http://www.mchenrycountyhistory.org/

Midlothian Historical Society

Location:
14609 Springfield Ave
Midlothian, IL 60445
Mail: 14801 S. Pulaski
Midlothian, IL 60445
Phone: 708-389-0055
www.villageofmidlothian.net

Morton Grove Historical Museum

The exhibit centers on an 1888 Victorian farm house.

Location:
6240 W Dempster St
Morton Grove, IL 60053
Mail: 6834 Dempster Street
Morton Grove, IL 60053
Phone: 847-965-0203
E-mail: mghistorical@gmail.com
https://mortongrovehistoricalmuseum.wordpress.com/

Mt. Greenwood Historical Society

Location:
11010 S Kedzie Ave
Chicago, IL 60655
Phone: 312-747-2805 (Mt Greenwood Library)
Mt. Prospect Historical Society

Provides a history of Mt. Prospect, with an emphasis on the origins of the villagers; includes a 1906 farmhouse.

Location:
101 S Maple St
Mt. Prospect, IL 60056
Phone: 847-392-9006
E-mail: info@mtphist.org
www.mtphist.org

Naper Settlement

A historic museum village, administered by the Naperville Heritage Society, features costumed interpreters, working businesses, a research library, and changing exhibits.

Location:
523 S Webster St
Naperville, IL 60540
Phone: 630-420-6010
E-mail: towncrier@naperville.il.us
www.napersettlement.org/

Napoleonic Historical Society

Location:
6000A West Irving Park Rd.
Chicago, IL 60634
Phone: 773-974-1804
E-mail: mail@napoleonichistoricalsociety.org
www.napoleonichistoricalsociety.com

National Museum of Puerto Rican Arts & Culture

A cultural and educational institution devoted to the promotion, integration and advancement of Puerto Rican arts and culture.

Location:
3015 W Division St
Chicago, IL 60622
Phone: 773-486-8345
E-mail: info@NMPRAC.org
New Lenox Area Historical Society

This historic home has played host to a variety of figures, including George Washington and his officers, after the Battle of Short Hills in 1777.

Location:
205 W Maple St, Rt. 30
New Lenox, IL 60451
Phone: 815-485-5576
E-mail: NewLenoxHistory@aol.com
http://www.newlenoxhistory.org/

Niles Historical and Cultural Center

Showcases a 1913 Ford, vintage clothing, a baking wagon, and early 1900s living quarters.

Location:
8970 Milwaukee Ave
Niles, IL 60714
Phone: 847-390-0160
E-mail: NHS@vniles.com
https://www.vniles.com/891/Historical-Society

Northbrook Historical Society

Centers around a historic inn that served as a welcome spot in the 1800's.

Location:
1776 Walters Ave
Northbrook, IL 60062
Mail: P.O. Box 2021
Northbrook, IL 60065-2021
Phone: 847-498-3404
http://www.northbrookhistory.org/

Northwest Chicago Historical Society

Established to promote, honor and celebrate and preserve the history of the neighborhoods of Chicago's Northwest Side.

Location:
P.O. Box 30067
Chicago, IL 60630
Norwood Park Historical Society

Focuses on the history of the Norwood Park area, and Chicago's northwest side.

**Location:**
5624 N Newark Ave
Chicago, IL 60631
Phone: 773-631-4633
E-mail: info@norwoodparkhistoricalsociety.org
http://www.norwoodparkhistoricalsociety.org

Oak Brook Historical Society

Collection topics include archeology, early settlement, and past and present day development of the Village of Oak Brook. Archives, photographs and artifacts available as research resources for the above named topics.

**Location:**
Oak Brook Heritage Center
1112 Oak Brook Rd.
Oak Brook, IL 60523
Phone: 630-368-7750
www.oakbrookhistory.com

Oriental Institute Museum

Features tours, lectures and special programs on the history and culture of the ancient and Near Middle East.

**Location:**
1155 E 58th St
Chicago, IL 60637
Phone: 773-702-9514
E-mail: oi-museum@uchicago.edu
http://oi.uchicago.edu/

Orland Historical Society

The Society maintains several cabins, some predating 1860, as historical monuments in the region.
Palos Historical Society

Collects and preserves pictures, newspaper clippings and materials of early families.

Location:
12332 S Forest Glen Blvd
Palos Park, IL 60464
Phone: 708-361-3118

Park Forest Historical Society

Contains post WWII period furniture, kitchen gadgets, as well as an original townhome.

Location:
227 Monee Rd.
Park Forest, IL 60466
Phone: 708-481-4252
http://www.parkforesthistory.org

Park Ridge Historical Society

Develops, promotes and celebrates interest in local history.

Location:
721 N Prospect Ave
Park Ridge, IL 60068
Phone: 847-696-1973
E-mail: george@pennyville.org
www.pennyville.org

Peotone Historical Society

A variety of outdoors activities are offered in and around the historic Illinois and Michigan Canal, plus tours of the current restoration of the 1872 Peotone Windmill, formerly known as the Rathje Windmill, is one of the few German Style Windmills still standing in America.
Plainfield Historical Society & Museum

Collects artifacts from Native American tribes, pioneer households, and the early days of the Illinois and Michigan Canal.

Location:
23836 W Main Street
Plainfield, IL 60544
Phone: 815-436-4073
E-mail: plainfieldhistoricalsociety.il@gmail.com
http://www.plainfield-il.org/pages/villagehistory

Polish Museum of America

Exhibits a host of Polish American paintings, drawings, and writings, as well as features special exhibits and concerts. Also houses Polish paintings and crafts.

Location:
984 N Milwaukee Ave
Chicago, IL 60642
Phone: 773-384-3352
www.polishmuseumofamerica.org

Pritzker Military Library

A collection of materials and programs focusing on the concept of the Citizen Soldier as an essential element for the preservation of democracy.

Location:
104 N Michigan Ave.
Chicago, IL 60603
Phone: 312-374-9333
E-mail: info@pritzkermilitary.org
http://www.pritzkermilitarylibrary.org/

Puerto Rican Cultural Center
Established to celebrate the historic of the Hispanic and Puerto Rican communities of Chicago.

**Location:**
2739 W Division Street
Chicago, IL 60622
Phone: 773-342-8023
E-mail: info@prcc-chgo.org
http://www.prcc-chgo.org/

**Pullman State Historic Site**

The 13 acre Pullman Factory site which includes the now reconstructed Clocktower/Administration Building and the remains of the East Erecting Shop as well as the Hotel Florence.

**Location:**
11111 S Forrestville Ave
Chicago, IL 60628
Phone: 773-660-2341
E-mail: sleepingcars@sbcglobal.net
http://www.pullman-museum.org

**Ravenswood-Lake View Historical Association**

Focuses on the history of neighborhoods in Chicago’s North Side.

**Location:**
4455 N Lincoln Ave
Chicago, IL 60625
E-mail: President@RavenswoodHistorical.com
http://www.ravenswoodhistorical.com/

**Ridge Historical Society**

Provides displays and aid in the exhibition of the history of the Morgan Park and Beverly, Washington Heights communities from 1835 to the present.

**Location:**
10621 S Seeley Ave
Chicago, IL 60643
Phone: 773-881-1675
E-mail: ridgehistory@hotmail.com
http://www.ridgehistoricalsociety.org

**Riverdale Historical Society at the Riverdale Public Library**
Riverside Historical Museum

Riverside is one of the first planned communities in the United States, designed in 1869 by Frederick Law Olmsted. The entire village of Riverside was designated a National Historic Landmark in 1970 because of its unique plan of curvilinear roads, beautiful parks, gas lamp street lights and unmatched landscape design along the Des Plaines River.

Robbins Historical Society & Museum

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Location:
3644 W 139th St.
Robbins, IL 60472
Mail: P.O. Box 1561
Robbins, IL 60472
Phone: 708-389-5393
E-mail: robbinshistory@yahoo.com
http://www.robbinshistorymuseum.org

Rogers Park/West Ridge Historical Society

Includes a large photo collection, as well as audio and video histories, and rotating exhibits.

Location:
7363 N. Greenview Ave.
Chicago, IL 60626
Phone: 773-764-4078
E-mail: info@rpwrhs.org
http://www.rpwrhs.org/
Rolling Meadows Historical Museum

Reproduction of a 1950's house displaying artifacts from the period and an educational center concerning the development of the City of Rolling Meadows.

Location:
3100 Central Rd
Rolling Meadows, IL 60008
Phone: 847-577-7086
http://www.ci.rolling-meadows.il.us/376/Historical-Museum

Romeoville Area Historical Society

Founded to capture and exhibit the heritage and culture of Slovenian immigrants in the Chicago region.

Location:
10 Montrose Dr.
Romeoville, IL 60446
Phone: 815-886-0146
E-mail: nancy.reader@sbcglobal.net

Roselle Historical Foundation

In an old house museum, the early history of Roselle is put on display through the use of farm, school, railroad and military artifacts.

Location:
102 S Prospect St
Roselle, IL 60172
Mail: 39 E Elm St
Roselle, IL 60172
Phone: 630-351-5300
E-mail: rosellehistory@sbcglobal.net
http://www.rosellehistory.com/

Schiller Park Historical Commission

Location:
4200 Old River Road
Schiller Park, IL 60176
Phone: 847-671-8513
E-mail: sphometownnews@yahoo.com
http://www.villageofschillerpark.com/245/Historical-Commission
Skokie Heritage Museum

Located in the Historic Engine House, a permanent exhibit of Skokie's Fire Department is on display on the first floor. The second floor features changing Skokie history exhibits. The Historic Log Cabin shows a part of regional pioneer life from the 1850's.

Location:
8031 Floral Ave
Skokie, IL 60077
Mail: 9300 Weber Park Place
Skokie, IL 60077
Phone: 847-674-1500 ext. 3000
E-mail: shs@skokieparkdistrict.org
http://www.skokiehistory.org/
http://www.skokieparks.org/skokie-heritage-museum

Slovenian Women's Union Heritage Museum

Displays artifacts and keepsakes from Slovenia.

Location:
431 N Chicago St
Joliet, IL 60432
Phone: 815-727-1926
E-mail: sua@slovenianunion.org
www.swua.org/?cpage=28

South Holland Historical Society

Among other artifacts, the Society holds an Edna Ferber collection, a historic farm house and barn, and a collection of Native American and settler artifacts.

Location:
16250 Wausau Ave (lower level)
South Holland, IL 60473
Phone: 708-596-2722
E-mail: shhistoricalsoc@yahoo.com
http://www.southholland.org/community/organizations/

South Suburban Genealogical & Historical Society

The Society maintains a library of more than 11,000 volumes that focuses on local history and American and Illinois genealogies, but includes information from around the world.

Location:
3000 W 170th Pl
Southeast Chicago Historical Society

The SECHS is dedicated to collecting materials related to and preserving the histories of the Southeast Chicago Communities of South Chicago, South Deering, the East side, and Hegewisch. The Society also operates the James P. Fitzgibbons Historical Museum located in the Calmut Park Fieldhouse.

Location:
Calumet Park Fieldhouse at 98th St and Ave G
Chicago, IL 60617
Phone: 773-660-2341
E-mail: rodsellers1@yahoo.com
http://www.pullman-museum.org/ihaccr/sechs.html

Swahili Institute of Chicago
Location:
10707 S Hale Ave
Chicago, IL 60643
Phone: 773-785-1430
E-mail: SwahiliInstitute@aol.com
http://swahiliinstitute.org/

Swedish American Museum

An extensive program of children's hands-on exhibits, as well as gallery showings, language and art classes and permanent displays chronicling the story of Swedish immigrants in Chicago.

Location:
5211 N Clark
Chicago, IL 60640
Phone: 773-728-8111
E-mail: info@samac.org
http://www.swedishamericanmuseum.org/

The HistoryMakers

The single largest African American archival project since the recording of 2,300 slaves during the WPA era. The goal of HistoryMakers is to have completed 5,000 interviews over a period of 5 years.
Tinley Park Historical Society

Examines the history of Tinley Park, as well as the Rock Island Railroad.

Location:
6727 W 174th St
Tinley Park, IL 60477
Phone: 708-429-4210
E-mail: lrtphist@lincolnnet.net

Ukrainian National Museum

The Museum uses folk art, costumes and other artifacts to highlight the history of the Ukrainian American population.

Location:
2249 W Superior St
Chicago, IL 60612
Phone: 312-421-8020
E-mail: info@ukrainiannationalmuseum.org
http://ukrainiannationalmuseum.org/

Villa Park Historical Museum

Features memorabilia from Sears Roebuck mail order houses, from Ovaltine, as well as from the Aurora and Elgin railroads.

Location:
220 S Villa Ave
Villa Park, IL 60181
Phone: 630-941-0223
E-mail: info@vphistoricalsociety.com
http://www.vphistoricalsociety.com

Village of Thornton Historical Society
The Society seeks to preserve the history of the village which was settled in 1834 and platted by Gurdon S. Hubbard and James Kinzie. Museum has a large collection of Native American artifacts from the Hoxie Site as well as settler memorabilia including the nation's largest limestone quarry (1838), Bielfeldt Brewery (1857) and a rare 1904 fire wagon. It offers public programs and tours of the Thornton Quarry.

**Location:**
114 N Hunter St
Thornton, IL 60476
Mail: P.O. Box 34
Thornton, IL 60476
Phone: 708-877-6569
http://www.thornton60476.com/index.asp?Type=B_BASIC&SEC=%7B7F5AF14E-8F44-4331-AB8D-9FC8008FA818%7D

**Vliet Museum of Lake Bluff History**

Historical dramatization and walking tours are supported by over 1000 images and documents on the history of the area, including schools, public institutions and census records.

**Location:**
127 E Scranton Ave
Lake Bluff, IL 60044
Mail: P.O. Box 250
Lake Bluff, IL 60044
Phone: 847-482-1571
E-mail: vliet@lakebluffhistory.org
http://lakebluffhistory.org/go/

**Warren Township Historical Society**

The Mother Rudd House, built in 1843 as a stagecoach inn for the underground railroad, has been preserved to display the contents of rooms during the period.

**Location:**
4690 Old Grand Ave
Gurnee, IL 60031
Mail: P.O. Box 84
Gurnee, IL 60031
Phone: 847-263-9540
E-mail: info@motherrudd.org
http://www.motherrudd.org/

**Warrenville Historical Museum**
Located in a 1850s Greek Revival Methodist Church, the Museum includes the paintings of local artists, as well as collection from Native American populations.

**Location:**
3S530 2nd St.
Warrenville, IL 60555
Mail: P.O. Box 311
Warrenville, IL 60555
Phone: 630-393-4215
E-mail: info@warrenvillehistorical.org
http://www.warrenvillehistorical.org

**Wauconda Township Historical Society**

Established for the preservation and exhibition of a local 1840s townhouse, and other historic artifacts.

**Location:**
711 N Main St
Wauconda, IL 60084
Mail: c/o 505 W. Bonner Road
Wauconda, IL 60084
Phone: 847-526-9303
E-mail: wths@wauconda-history.org
http://www.wauconda-history.org/

**Waukegan History Museum**

Collects and displays items representative of Little Fort Pioneers and Waukegan descendants.

**Location:**
1917 N Sheridan Rd
Waukegan, IL 60087
Phone: 847-336-1859
E-mail: museum@waukeganhistorical.org
http://www.waukeganhistorical.org/history-museum/

**West Chicago City Museum**

The Museum focuses on local history, with a special emphasis on the history of the local railroads, and their impact on the town.

**Location:**
132 Main St
West Chicago, IL 60185
Phone: 630-231-3376
West Chicago Historical Society/The Kruse House Museum

A 1917 four-square hose museum depicts the lifestyle of a railroad family.

Location:
527 Main St
West Chicago, IL 60185
Phone: 630-231-2329
E-mail: info@krusehousemuseum.org
http://www.krusehousemuseum.org/

Western Springs Historical Society & Museum

The museum is located in the Water Tower on the village green and was listed in The National Register of Historic Places in 1981. The museum houses exhibits, photographs and information relating to the history of Western Springs.

Location:
914 Hillgrove Avenue
Western Springs, IL 60558
Phone: 708-246-9230
E-mail: info@westernspringshistory.org
http://www.westernspringshistory.org/

Wheeling Historical Museum

Strives to keep history alive for posterity.

Location:
251 N Wolf Rd
P.O. Box 3
Wheeling, IL 60090
Phone: 847-537-3119
E-mail: curator@wheelinghistoricalsociety.com
http://www.wheelinghistoricalsociety.com/

Will County Historical Museum & Research Center

Changing exhibits to connect people to the rich history of Will County. Located in the former I&M Canal Office.

Location:
803 S State St
Lockport, IL 60441
Phone: 815-838-5080
http://willcohistory.org/

William L. Gregg House Museum

The 1872 four-room house museum depicts the life of a railroad family; maintained by the Westmont Historical Society.

Location:
115 S Linden Ave
Westmont, IL 60559
Mail: 55 E Richmond St
Westmont, IL 60559
Phone: 630-960-3392
http://westmontparks.org/facilities/Gregg-house-museum.htm

Wilmette Historical Museum

Examines and preserves the history of the Wilmette, North Shore and Gross Point areas.

Location:
609 Ridge Rd
Wilmette, IL 60091
Phone: 847-853-7666
E-mail: museum@wilmette.com
http://www.wilmettehistory.org

Winfield Historical Society/Hedges Station

Location:
0N555 Winfield Rd
Winfield, IL 60190
Phone: 630-510-9053
E-mail: info@winfieldhistory.org
http://www.winfieldhistory.org

Winnetka Historical Society

Educates people on the stories of our past in an effort to enrich our present and inspire our future.

Locations:
Museum: 411 Linden, Winnetka, IL 60093
Schmidt-Burnham Log House: 1140 Willow, Winnetka, IL 60093
Mail: P.O. Box 365
Winnetka, IL 60093
Wood Dale Historical Society

Features a historic 1840's Prairie house, a pegged T-barn, a silo, and a 1920's ten-room farmhouse.

Location:
850 N Wood Dale Rd
Wood Dale, IL 60191
Phone: 630-595-8777

Worth Park District Historical Museum

A new museum will help maintain the history of the Worth Area, especially focusing on the importance of the region's historic waterways.

Location:
11500 S Beloit Ave
Worth, IL 60482
Phone: 708-448-7080
E-mail: info@worthparkdistrict.org
http://www.worthparkdistrict.org/

Zion Historical Society

A National Historic Site dedicated to the history of Zion, preserved in the homes of the founders, and a collection of artifacts and photographs from their time.

Location:
1300 Shiloh Blvd
Zion, IL 60099
Phone: 847-746-2427
E-mail: zionhs@yahoo.com
www.zionhs.com/museum.htm