

PLACES YOU WILL VISIT

ILLINOIS
STATE MUSEUM
explore. discover. learn. share.

- Renovated Lyles Station School/Museum and Wayland Chapel A.M.E.
- Thrall's Opera House where the Golden Troupe performed
- Harmonist Labyrinth; Cathedral Labyrinth (Chartres replica) and Sacred Garden
- Jane Blaffer Owen Sanctuary, sculptures, gardens, and Roofless Church all on special evening tour: "Science, Secrets and Shadows"
- New Harmony Atheneum, designed by famed architect Richard Meier
- David Lenz House and Garden, a typical Harmonist-style family dwelling
- Rapp-Owen Granary and Working Men's Institute, both tied to the Illinois State Museum
- Community House #2; Fauntleroy House, home of the Minerva Society

Note: You will have free time to return to these spots, stroll along the streets of New Harmony or along the Wabash River, explore antique stores, varied shops (gifts, music, books, soaps, architectural salvage) and art galleries, as well as enjoy refreshment and dining at your choice of restaurants, cafes, a wine bar and a coffee house.



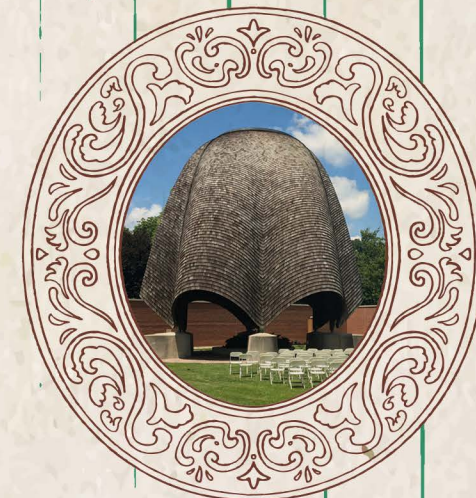
THE ILLINOIS STATE MUSEUM SOCIETY PRESENTS **BEGINNINGS!**

Discover the Architecture, Natural Beauty, and Creativity of **New Harmony, Indiana**

Explore with us! Our new travel opportunity brings us greater awareness of the good earth where we live and the people who sought freedom to thrive, worship and build community. Plus, it harkens us to the earliest days of the Illinois State Museum story!

Architecture, utopian living, nature's beauty, creativity, and contemplation are all experiences you'll gain on this three-day, two-night motorcoach trip crossing over the state line of Illinois into southern Indiana.

Join us as we visit two communities to witness a collage of heritage buildings made new and meet people who tell tales of the ideals and realities of founding families.



Moving north from Tennessee in 1837 to a Gibson County, Indiana locale, originally known as the Switch Settlement, Black citizens sought to establish themselves as freed men and women. Experience an environment where Joshua Lyles could smell in advance the scents of crops that he would soon grow there on his very own farm. Eventually renamed Lyles Station, the town is no longer incorporated, yet memory and pride live on in what remains one of the earliest African-American communities in the United States.

Much of what you will see is in a nearby town first named Harmony in 1814. The town illustrated the goals of George Rapp and other German immigrants who called themselves Harmonists with their approach to worship and lifestyle. The town was renamed New Harmony after Rapp sold the original land and structures of the community in 1825 to Robert Owen, a wealthy Scottish manufacturer who determined to build another type of utopia. He and the new residents aimed to enlighten individuals by working toward a common good. His followers fostered cultural enrichment and growing interests in sciences while engaging in practical ways to commune and prosper.

And that is where the story of the Illinois State Museum begins. Want to hear more about our earliest beginnings? Come with us and learn more about these unique places in nearby Indiana!



Three-day, two-night motorcoach tour to Southwest Indiana September 20-22, 2023



Hotel: New Harmony Inn Resort and Conference Center
Included: 2 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 1 dinner

Illinois State Museum Society members:
Double room occupancy per person: \$467
Single room occupancy per person: \$517



Non-member:
Double room occupancy per person: \$594
Single room occupancy per person: \$644

Please register by Friday, June 30 with a deposit of \$150 or full amount listed above. Remaining payment due by Friday, August 11.

Activity Level: Leisurely walking on streets and inside buildings. Golf carts are available for rent as well.

SPECIAL ARRANGED VISITS

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Docey Lewis Studio/Design Bank 505: Docey is a textile designer/producer who has worked with companies in more than 20 countries) and offers textiles made of handmade paper, metal sheets, real and faux leather, felt, paint, natural pigments, and other fabrics.

Note: Not handicapped accessible — studio spaces are on mezzanine and second floor with several stairs and a single railing.

- Thursday afternoon at 1:45 p.m. (maximum of 12, no fee)
- OR
- Friday morning 10:45 a.m. (maximum of 12, no fee)

Curt Schmitt Studio (cabinetry and fine furniture): Curt creates original designs as well as traditional styles, accepting custom orders. His work is rooted in the natural qualities of wood: grain, color, and texture. This studio is located in a small converted barn workshop which is handicapped accessible.

Note: The studio is a short distance from town and we recommend those who sign up work together as groups to rent your own golf cart to go there.

- Thursday afternoon at 2:30 p.m. (maximum of 12, no fee)
- OR
- Friday morning at 10:30 a.m. (maximum of 12, no fee)



ENTERTAINMENT OPTIONS

If you would like an extra activity, you may choose one of the three items listed below, each beginning at 7 p.m. on Thursday evening, 9/21/23: (Limited enrollments for each; suggested donations to be paid with the first two and fee for tour you pay directly to the guide).

- The New Harmony Clay Project - Artist in Residency Event (max. 20)
- OR
- Music Jam at Elliot's Farmhouse (max. 25)
- OR
- Haunted New Harmony Tour (max. 16, \$20 OYO)

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Enclosed is a deposit in the amount of \$: _____

Check or money order made payable to
Illinois State Museum Society

American Express Visa MasterCard Discover

Credit Card Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____

Signature: _____

Special Dietary Needs: _____

Guest 1 Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____

Emergency Contact Phone: _____

Guest 2 Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Special Accommodations Needed: _____
