

The History Center in Tompkins County Presents:

HOME HISTORY SCAVENGER HUNT

HOW TO PLAY

Write down descriptions and/or take pictures or screenshots of each item in the list below and **send to community@thehistorycenter.net**. You can also post your pictures on social media and tag us at **@TompkinsHistory**

Everyone who completes the Home History Scavenger Hunt will win a local history book of their choice from our published collection!

- 1. Find an item in your home older than you. This item is a piece of your history!
- 2. Find an item that was passed down or gifted to you from another family member.
- 3. Find an item that was made/grown/or built in Tompkins County.
- 4. Find a picture of you or a family member in a public space in Tompkins County. Do you remember when and where it was taken?
- 5. Start your family tree, list at least 5 names (Parents, siblings, grandparents, cousins etc.). This kind of research is called genealogy!
- 6. Write down the name of a public figure from Tompkins County (living or dead) that you would want to see an exhibition about, or have interviewed for our oral history collection.
- 7. Find a pamphlet, poster, letter, bumper sticker, or business card from a Tompkins County business. These kinds of items are in our archives representing local businesses from over 100 years ago!
- 8. Take a picture of the front of your house or apartment. We use architectural pictures to build our building database in HistoryForge!
- 9. Go to **www.HistoryForge.net** and find the name of one person from the 1910 census whose first name starts with the same letter as your first name.
- 10. Go to **www.IthacaHeritage.squarespace.com/tours** and write down the address of one historic tour stop in Tompkins County. If you were going to make your own tour where would it go?

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