

Events Calendar

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Last Month at The History Center...



We would like to congratulate History Center intern Claire Deng on receiving the Cornell University's 2022 Campus-Community Leadership Award!!!

This award was granted in recognition for Claire' year-long research project on early Asian residents in Ithaca and Tompkins County. This initiative was a collaboration of the <a href="https://linear.com/linea

Asian American Association and The History Center in Tompkins County to track down information about the earliest Asian residents in our communities and discover their names and stories. Claire's work far exceeded original expectations for the project, and her research is currently available in two public exhibits, and is being made into a formal archival collection housed in The History Center Archives. We are immensely proud of the work she's accomplished over the four terms she has pursued this project, and the names and stories she has discovered to add to our community understanding of the long history of Asian families and community in Tompkins County.

EXHIBITS

'The Asai's: Breaking Ground in the Town of Ithaca' is on display for a limited time at the Ithaca Town Hall highlighting a Japanese farming family who lived in Tompkins County in the 1920's-'30s.

'Tang Family display in the 'Cultural Fabric of Tompkins County' exhibit as part of 'reCOUNT: Facing our Census' museum exhibit at The History Center

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Tangs, who first arrived in Ithaca in the 1930's, and ran the iconic Asiatic Garden on E. State St/MLK Jr. Blvd for over 70 years.

Cornell Chronicle Article



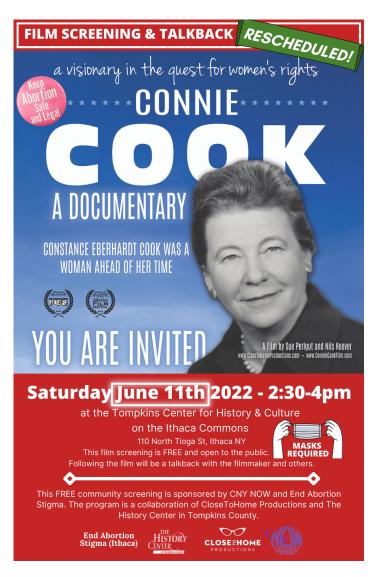
Cornell Campus-Community Leadership Award Webinar 5-5-22

UPCOMING EVENTS (We're busy!)



archival collections! Learn more <u>givingisgorges.org/organizations/tompkins-history</u>.

Giving is Gorges is powered by United Way of Tompkins County.



Wednesday-Saturday - EXHIBIT HALL IS OPEN!

10am-5pm - Hours & Safety Guidelines

ON DISPLAY - reCOUNT
Facing our Census, and
Unfolding: A Timeline of
Sexual Assault Activism

June is PRIDE Month!

Explore LGBTQIA+ history
in Tompkins County and
join us for a screening of
Lavender Hill: A Love Story
on June 29th!

Fri - June 3rd - Gallery Night & Pop Up Survivor **Art Exhibit** one night only - Art provides an opportunity for survivors of sexual and relationship violence to creatively express, as well as reflect on, themselves, their experiences, thoughts and feelings displayed in same space as the current exhibition Unfolding: A **Timeline of Sexual Assault Activism in Tompkins** County. - 5-8pm - @ the

Join us for a CHAT





History & Culture. FREE drop-in program.
Collaboration with
Advocacy Center.

Sat - June 11th -

Screening & Talkback:
Connie Cook A

Documentary - 2:30-4pm@ the CAP ArtSpace inside the Tompkins Center for History & Culture. FREE drop-in program.
RESCHEDULE from 6/4

Tuesday - June 14th -

Author John Taibi

Discussing His Book:

Hojack The Rome,

Watertown and

Ogdensburg Railroad
Presented by the Cornell

Railroad Historical Society

- 7pm @ the CAP ArtSpace
inside the Tompkins

Center for History &

Culture. FREE drop-in
program.

Tuesday - June 21st -

GIVING IS GORGES 2022 -Online @TompkinsHistory ALL DAY - Learn more at thehistorycenter.net/givin g-is-gorges

a loose term for baseball played by the rules, in the uniforms, and with the philosophy of the 1800's. Depending on the year played, the rules can change dramatically: for example, in the 1860's, pitchers threw underhand and a ball caught on one hop was an out. Regardless of year, only the catcher wears a glove in most vintage games.

SUNDAY JUNE 26TH @ TAUGHANNOCK FALLS STATE PARK

- 12pm-1:45pm <u>1864 Game ONE</u> <u>Delhi Polecats</u> vs. <u>Bovina Dairymen</u>
- 2:00pm <u>Screening of "Play Ball"</u> a 1916 serial produced by the Wharton Studio in Ithaca NY
- 2:30pm 4:30 pm <u>1895 Game TWO</u> <u>Delhi Polecats</u> vs. <u>Bovina Dairymen</u>

12pm @ The History
Center Exhibit Hall - FREE
drop-in program.

Sun June 26th - The Short
Stop Classic - Vintage Base
Ball Game 12pm-4:30pm
@ Taughannock Falls State
Park - FREE drop-in
program.

Weds June 29th -

Screening & Discussion Lavender Hill A Love Story
- 5:15-6:15pm @ the CAP
ArtSpace inside the
Tompkins Center for
History & Culture. FREE
drop-in program. Part of
Downtown Ithaca PRIDE
Week.

SAVE THE DATE:

- July Prohibition
 Era Ithaca Guided
 Tours \$15/person Register at
 thehistorycenter.net
 /tours
- 7/27 Book Lecture

 'An Early History of the Wyoming Valley' with
 author Kathleen



Cornell Railroad Historical Society
Presents

Author John Taibi
Discussing His Book:

Hojack

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The Rome, Watertown and Ogdensburg Railroad





At The History Center Gallery Space Downtown Ithaca at Bank Alley Tuesday, June 14, 2022

> Members of the public welcome Doors Open at 7 PM Presentation to begin promptly at 7:15 PM

<u>Guided</u>

Tours \$15/person -

Register at

thehistorycenter.net

/tours

• 8/25-27 - <u>Traverse</u>

<u>Tompkins: Facing</u>

Floods Fundraiser

New & Noteworthy Collections in the Archives

For questions about archival collections email <u>archives@thehistorycenter.net</u>.



We recently received a generous donation from Donna Scott, formerly of Lansing, now a Town of Ithaca resident. Several boxes of family letters dating back to the World War II era now comprise the Scott Family Collection. The Scotts and their connections were prolific letter writers. Even after the days of email, they took pen to paper and wrote long, chatty letters covering the news of the day; their trips, the weather, their interests, their health, their homes, their work, their pets, family gossip in general, and much more. It's a wonderful slice of mid-20th and early 21st century life in a local family. (V-65-5-1)

One collection recently added to the archives was our <u>COVID-19 Pandemic</u> <u>Collection</u>. More than two years in the making, this collection documents Tompkins County's responses to the worst world-wide public health crisis in a century. It contains notices of official responses, homemade masks (and the instructions volunteers used to make them), photographs of first

much more that examine many phases of the first years of this ongoing emergency. (V-65-3-7).

Our thanks to the Gladys Krieble Delmas Foundation for supporting the creation of <u>Archival Finding Aids</u> for these collections.

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Grant Awards & Hiring News

The History Center in Tompkins County is extremely excited to announce that **we have received \$5,000** in grant awards from the NYSCA & MANY Partnership Grants Across NYS for Capacity Building. The awarded funds will be used to upgrade technology used by staff, volunteers, and visiting researchers in our Research Library and Exhibit Hall. Read the full press release at thehistorycenter.net/grants.

The History Center has also **begun the hiring process for two temporary Digital Collections Assistant positions** as part of the 'AHA-NEH SHARP

(Sustaining the Humanities through the American Rescue Plan) Grant' awarded in April. These temporary positions will focus on transcription and archival processing for the 'Oral Histories of Tompkins County' collection. Job listing and application details at thehistorycenter.net/employment. Applications due Tuesday July 5th.











Dryden Community Remembers Gina & Bard Prentiss

Article by Kevin L. Smith, Tompkins Weekly - 5/25/2022

in love with the area and its people." Gina and Bard were married for 61 years.

Strague credits Gina with the creation of the <u>Dryden Town Historical Society</u> in 1981.



"Gina devoted four decades to preserving and promoting Dryden's heritage through education and architectural preservation," Gina's obituary states. Gina held multiple positions in the historical society, from committee member to president.

Gina was also a member of the Board of Directors for the <u>DeWitt Historical</u> <u>Society</u>, now The History Center in Tompkins County, and <u>Historic Ithaca</u>. In the village of Dryden, Gina was a member of the Planning Board and the exhibit and program committees.

"My mom was a firm believer in supporting the community and the place she loved the most," Mariah said."

Full Tompkins Weekly Article

OTHER LOCAL HISTORY NEWS & UPDATES

Newfield Historical Society new exhibit 'Floods, Fires, and Other Disasters!' highlights Newfield storms and natural disasters from 1901 - 2015. Plan to visit any 2nd and 4th Saturday from 10AM-2PM. Located at 192 Main Street in Newfield, next door to the Newfield Public Library.

<u>Ulysses Historical Society</u> **new exhibit** '*Stitchery*' an exploration of traditional needlework arts and tools. Displays include quilts, lace, Haudenosaunee beadwork, embroidery, thimbles, sewing machines, and more. open from 2-4 pm on Saturdays and Sundays through November. Located at 39 South Street, Trumansburg.

Caroline History Club has renamed to Caroline History Association.

promote awareness and practice of Gayogohó:no? (Cayuga) language in its ancestral homeland and beyond. Weekly language classes are being offered in Ithaca for Summer 2022.

LOCAL HISTORY READS

- <u>First Black fraternity to build monument at its birthplace</u>- Cornell Chronicle 5/5/22
- <u>T-burg Farmers Market celebrates 20 years</u> Tompkins Weekly 5/6/2022
- A new generation takes over at Ithaca's legendary Moosewood restaurant - Syracuse.com 5/10/2022
- <u>Lansing honors inventor of chicken barbecue</u> Tompkins Weekly 5/4/2022
- Nolan Hotel School to commemorate 100th anniversary Cornell Chronicle 4/26/2022
- Groton Army veteran honors all who served Tompkins Weekly -5/25/2022

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