

# THE HISTORY CENTER

in Tompkins County

## History Happenings Early May 2019 The History Center's Electronic Newsletter

### Tompkins Center for History & Culture Ribbon Cutting & Community Celebration

The [twelve partner organizations](#) of the [Tompkins Center for History & Culture](#) invite the people of Tompkins County, the Finger Lakes, and New York to explore our new heritage tourism center, located on Bank Alley on the Ithaca Commons.

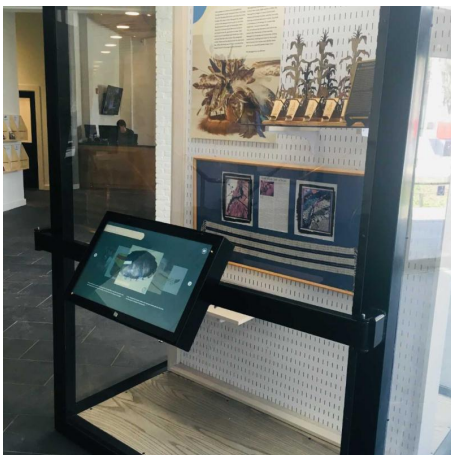


Join us Friday, May 10 at 5:00 PM at 110 North Tioga Street for remarks from local dignitaries and project leaders, refreshments, informal tours, and, of course, a ribbon cutting! The Dorothy Cotton Jubilee Singers, Ithaca College, and Tompkins Center partner Cayuga Chamber Orchestra will perform throughout the evening. It will also be the public opening of The History Center's new exhibit hall.

The event is free of charge and open to all. It is made possible by a grant from the Tompkins County Tourism Program. The first 150 guests will receive a complimentary copy of *The Towns of Tompkins County* by Jane Dieckmann, who will be present to sign books and answer questions. See you Friday!

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### Upcoming Events



#### Our Indigenous Past and Our Gayogohó:nq Present

**Saturday, May 11, 2:00 to 3:15 PM**

**Tompkins Center for History & Culture, Ithaca College Gallery, 1st Floor, 110 North Tioga Street, Ithaca, NY 14850**

This panel will focus on the atrium exhibits, "Gayogohó:nq; We Are Still Here" and "Indigenous People and Tompkins County: 13,000 Years and Counting," as well as the stylized animation inside The History Center's exhibit hall. These were all developed in collaboration with Cayuga Nation leaders and academic colleagues. This discussion will follow the creation and

curation of these narratives and designs with Debbie George (on behalf of Sachem Sam George), Kurt Jordan (Associate Professor in Anthropology and American Indian and Indigenous Studies Program at Cornell University), and Joseph Karadin (Creative Director for Tessellate Studio).

**HistoryForge Data Entry Bee**



**HISTORYFORGE**

**Saturday, May 18, 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM**

**Tompkins Center for History & Culture, Large Conference Room, 2nd Floor, 110 North Tioga Street, Ithaca, NY 14850**

Come volunteer at our next transcription bee! Light refreshments will be served with lots of fun and an educational opportunity that will make Ithaca history come alive. Bring a laptop if possible.



**Generation to Generation Celebration**

***Tuesday, June 4, 5:00 to 6:30 PM***

**Tompkins Center for History & Culture, Ithaca College Gallery, 1st Floor, 110 North Tioga Street, Ithaca, NY 14850**

This year, ten high school students conducted oral history interviews with restaurant/food-business owners

who are immigrants to this country. Join us to celebrate the youth historians and community members who participated in expanding the narratives in The History Center's collection of oral histories. Excerpts from the interviews will be shared.



**Fly Through the Finger Lakes**

***Saturday, July 13***

**Multiple locations throughout central New York**

The History Center is excited to join with Wings of Eagles Discovery Center in Horseheads, the National Soaring Museum in Elmira, the Glenn H. Curtiss Aviation Museum in Hammondsport, and Ithaca Aviation Heritage Foundation to offer the first regional aviation tour. This full-

day adventure will send buses, one departing from Hammondsport and one from Ithaca, to visit all four museums and enjoy lunch at a local restaurant. Look for registration information in the late May newsletter.

**Sign Up Now for Summer Camp 2019**

# CRANKIE CAMP

LOCAL HISTORY THROUGH STORYTELLING

AUG. 12-16  
12-3:30 pm

ALL YOUTH AGES  
9-13 WELCOME

The Eight Square Schoolhouse  
1748 Hanshaw Road



Explore local history through the art of the crankie!  
Join us on the final day of camp for a Crankie performance!

The crankie is an old form of storytelling, sometimes called a "moving panorama." In this week-long camp, kids will create their own crankies, which will include theatre, storytelling, puppetry, and visual art, all about local history.

Lunch and snacks will be provided each day. Cost: \$100/camper.  
Limited scholarships are available. Register at: <http://bit.ly/thccamp>

For more information, contact Julia Taylor, Youth Educator at 607-273-8284 x229 or [eightsquare@thehistorycenter.net](mailto:eightsquare@thehistorycenter.net)

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