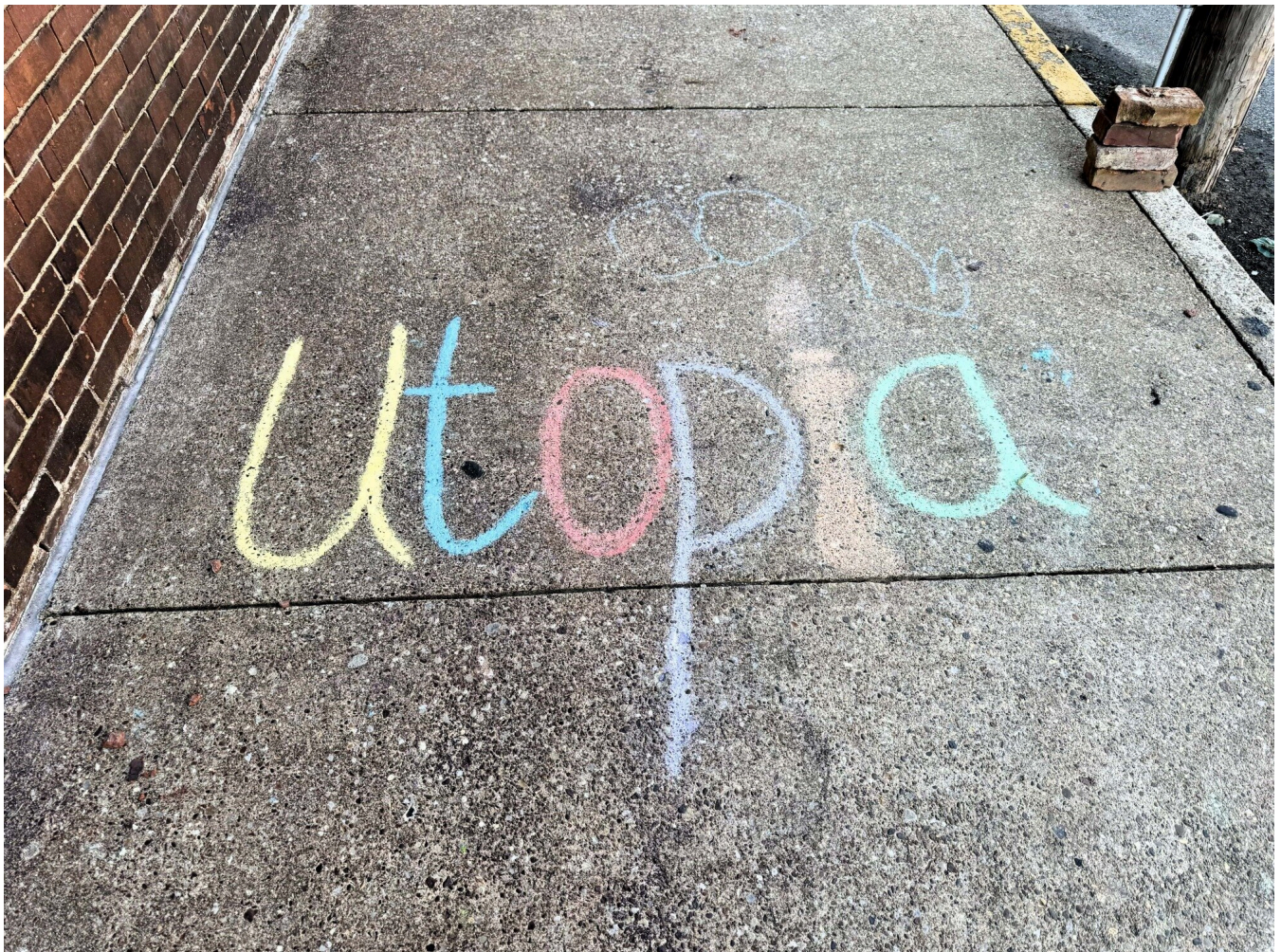




HISTORIC
NEW HARMONY

First Look

November 2024



Chalk art left over from New Harmony's annual community dinner event, Meet in the Street, on October 6, 2024. Someone wrote, "utopia," on a sidewalk near Main Street. Photo taken on October 10, 2024. Photo courtesy of Heidi Taylor-Caudill.

A MESSAGE OF GRATITUDE



Autumn scene at Our Lady Queen of Peace Shrine in New Harmony, October 25, 2024. Photo courtesy of David Angel.

As we begin this month of Thanksgiving, I have gratitude on my heart and mind. Our staff have been writing articles for our *First Look* and *In Harmony* newsletters, as well as preparing reports for a quarterly Historic New Harmony Advisory Board meeting. In the past, Historic New Harmony has started to slow down come November, but that's not the case this year! It's thrilling to see all levels of our organization so engaged and activated, creating new types of engagement opportunities and reimagining our long-treasured traditions.

Thank you to all of those involved with Historic New Harmony and the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art, as well as our other partner organizations for all that you do to bring New Harmony alive! Thank you, too, to all of our visitors, who journey from across the block or even across the world to come visit Utopia!

Diane Sanders
Assistant Director of Historic New Harmony

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New Harmony, Indiana, is located in the Central Time Zone.

FALL 2024 *IN HARMONY* NEWSLETTER

Over the summer, Historic New Harmony's staff took time to examine the *In Harmony* newsletter, which has been in publication since 1987 (37 years!). We took a cue from a tagline in the mid-2000s newsletters that declared New Harmony as a place "**where the past and the future are present.**" For several years, we had been trying to accomplish that with *In Harmony*: sharing the results of our past work and what we are doing in the present, while also informing our subscribers of future events and programs. It was too much information to cover in one newsletter. The publication frequency of *In Harmony* had also transitioned in 2023 from monthly to seasonally. Though that timeline worked well for talking about the past, it hindered our efforts to keep subscribers informed about our present and future work in New Harmony. Our answer to this problem was to create a new monthly newsletter, *First Look*, and to reimagine *In Harmony* while keeping it a seasonal publication.

In August 2024, we introduced the *First Look* newsletter as way to offer our subscribers a "first look" at the next month's lineup of offerings from Historic New Harmony and the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art. What's new in this November issue is a list of our upcoming tours, exhibits, programs and events through the rest of 2024 (located at the end of the newsletter). We want to provide information to help you plan your

next visit to New Harmony and to continue engaging with us.

Starting with the Fall 2024 issue of the *In Harmony* newsletter, you can read about our stories of impact and community engagement from late Spring and Summer 2024 (spanning May-September). We cover the Firefly Festival (June), Independence Day in New Harmony (July), engagements with USI faculty, staff and students (August and September), and the *Spirit of New Harmony* survey exhibition (August-September). We also talk about Historic New Harmony's Advisory Board and share details from our efforts this year to engage visitors and locals, both in-person and online.

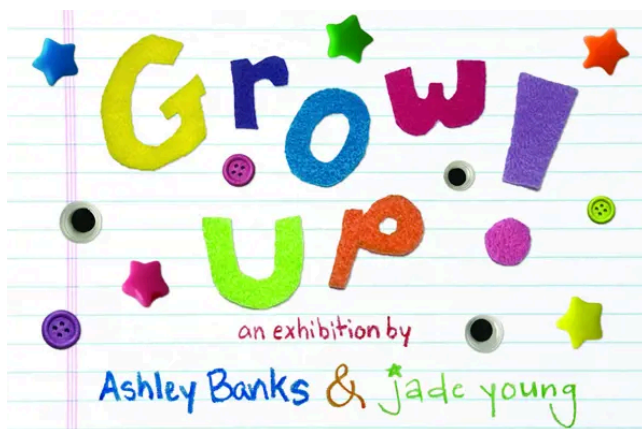
The next *In Harmony* newsletter is scheduled to be emailed to our subscribers during the first week of November 2024.

We welcome your comments on our newsletters and other publications. Please reach out to Heidi Taylor-Caudill at 812-682-6133 or htaylorca@usi.edu and share your thoughts.

If you were forwarded this newsletter by a family member or friend, we hope you will join our community by subscribing at the link below.

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NEW HARMONY GALLERY OF CONTEMPORARY ART



New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art

GROW UP! **ASHLEY BANKS AND JADE YOUNG** **NOVEMBER 2-DECEMBER 7, 2024**

BG Projects at New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art is proud to present *Grow Up!*, a ceramics-focused art exhibition by studio buddies and friends Ashley Banks and Jade Young.

An artists' reception will be held from 3-5 p.m. on Saturday, November 16. The artists ask patrons to join them during the reception for a bracelet making activity, jellybean guessing contest and light refreshments. There will also be a toy capsule machine filled with ceramic wares available for purchase. This event is FREE and open to the public.

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FILLED UP

A CERAMIC CUP SHOW

NOVEMBER 9 - DECEMBER 14

Presented in partnership with New Harmony Clay Project



New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art

FILLED UP 5: A CERAMIC CUP SHOW NOVEMBER 9-DECEMBER 14, 2024

New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art (NHGCA) in partnership with New Harmony Clay Project will present *Filled Up 5: A Ceramic Cup Show* at the Gallery from November 9 to December 14. *Filled Up 5* features ceramic cups selected from among leading clay artists working around the United States. The juror is Duane Reed of Duane Reed Gallery in St. Louis, Missouri.

An opening reception is scheduled for Saturday, November 9 from 3 to 5p.m. Best in Show awards will be announced during the reception. This event is **FREE** and open to the public.

An additional public reception will be held from 4-6 p.m. on Saturday, December 7 in conjunction with the Christmas in New Harmony town event. Light refreshments will be offered. Purchased cups may be removed from the show on that day.

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New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art

SEEKING A GALLERY ASSISTANT

The New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art is looking for a part-time Gallery Assistant to help with art sales, exhibit installations, inventory, and other projects. Click the link below for more information on this position and to access the online application.

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Part-time Gallery Assistant
**NEW HARMONY GALLERY
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UPCOMING TOURS AND PROGRAMS



Rapp-Owen Granary. Photo courtesy of Historic New Harmony.

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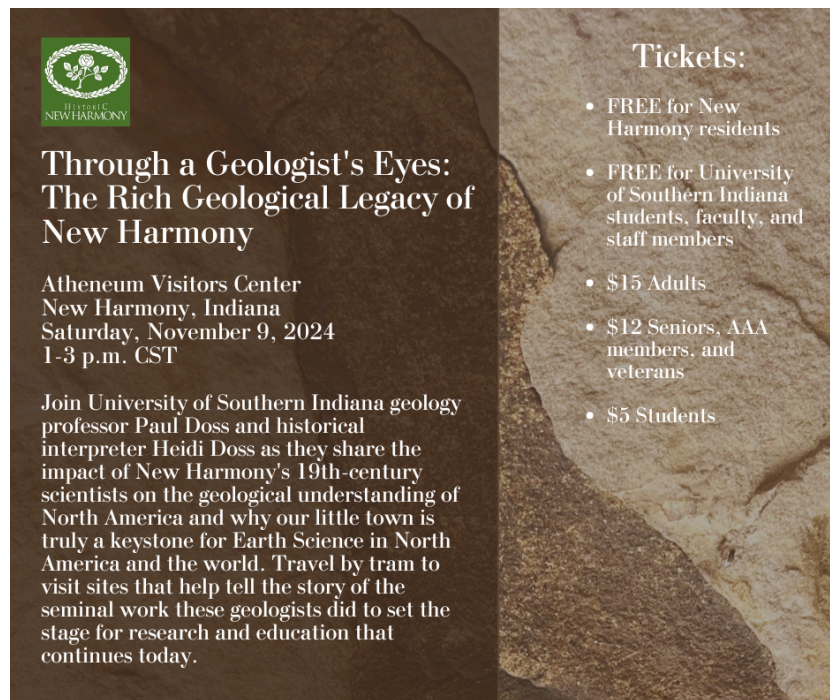
NOVEMBER 3, 2024 - 1-3 PM

On Sunday, November 3, the Rapp-Owen Granary is celebrating the 25th anniversary of the building's restoration. The Granary will be open to the public for an open house from 1-3 p.m. Refreshments will be offered along with showings of *Old Stones in New Harmony: The Rebirth of the Rapp Granary*, a documentary about the restoration project.

Historic New Harmony congratulates the Granary on this important anniversary. To celebrate our community partner's success, we will be offering FREE mini tram tours around New Harmony from 1-3 p.m. on November 3 with drop-offs at the Granary.

The mini tram tours start at the Atheneum Visitors Center located at 401 North Arthur Street.

These tours replace our regularly scheduled 1 p.m. history tour. If there is interest, we can offer a shorter history tour from 3-4:30 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets for the shorter tour would be \$10 for adults, \$5 for students, and FREE for New Harmony residents and University of Southern Indiana students, faculty and staff (with university ID).



**Through a Geologist's Eyes:
The Rich Geological Legacy of
New Harmony**

Atheneum Visitors Center
New Harmony, Indiana
Saturday, November 9, 2024
1-3 p.m. CST

Join University of Southern Indiana geology professor Paul Doss and historical interpreter Heidi Doss as they share the impact of New Harmony's 19th-century scientists on the geological understanding of North America and why our little town is truly a keystone for Earth Science in North America and the world. Travel by tram to visit sites that help tell the story of the seminal work these geologists did to set the stage for research and education that continues today.

Tickets:

- FREE for New Harmony residents
- FREE for University of Southern Indiana students, faculty, and staff members
- \$15 Adults
- \$12 Seniors, AAA members, and veterans
- \$5 Students

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SPECIALTY GEOLOGY TOUR WITH PAUL AND HEIDI DOSS NOVEMBER 9, 2024 - 1-3 PM

Join University of Southern Indiana geology professor Paul Doss and historical interpreter Heidi Doss from 1-3 p.m. on Saturday, November 9 for our next special tour, "Through a Geologist's Eyes: The Rich Geological Legacy of New Harmony."

Learn about the impact of New Harmony's 19th-century scientists on the geological understanding of North America and why our little town is truly a keystone for Earth Science in North America and the world. Travel by tram to visit sites that help tell the story of the seminal work these geologists did to set the stage for research and education that continues today.

The tour starts at the Atheneum Visitors Center located at 401 North Arthur Street in New Harmony.

Space on the tour is limited; our last special tour in August sold out, so be sure to reserve your spot soon! Call the Atheneum at 812-682-4474 for reservations.

Tickets:

FREE for New Harmony residents

FREE for USI students, faculty, and staff (with university ID)

\$15 Adults

\$12 Seniors, AAA members, and veterans

\$5 students



Historic New Harmony

**THE HARMONIST CONNECTION:
NOVEMBER 13, 2024 - 6 PM CT/7 PM ET**

Join us at 6 p.m. Central Time/7 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, November 13, 2024, for the next Harmonist Connection virtual talk featuring Christian Goodwillie. The Harmonist Connection is a FREE virtual program that brings the three sites of the Harmony Society - Historic New Harmony, Old Economy Village, and Historic Harmony - together to discuss what connects us.

The United Society of Believers in Christ's Second Appearing, or Shakers, and the Harmony Society each originated in Europe. Following their respective immigrations to North America, each became one of the most widely known and successful communal societies in the nineteenth-century United States. This illustrated talk will examine the many interactions between the two groups over the course of nearly 100 years, as well as their theological commonalities.

Christian Goodwillie is the Director and Curator of Special Collections and Archives at Hamilton College in Clinton, New York. Prior to that he was Curator of Collections at Hancock Shaker Village and also served as President of the Communal Studies Association. Goodwillie has published twelve books and numerous articles on the Shakers, Freemasonry, and other topics.

No registration is required. Join the meeting on November 13 at <https://usi.zoom.us/j/97356198315>

Questions? Contact Heidi Taylor-Caudill at htaylorca@usi.edu.

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Talking History

Theme: Community Memories

Thursday, November 21 at 10 a.m. Central Time
Clowes Theater, Atheneum Visitors Center
401 North Arthur St., New Harmony, IN

Talking History is a social gathering of history lovers who meet monthly to share and discuss New Harmony's history.

Sponsored by Historic New Harmony



Young girl identified as Bettie Wolfe in New Harmony, 1900
Don Blair Collection, USI Archives and Special Collections

Historic New Harmony

TALKING HISTORY
NOVEMBER 21, 2024 - 10 AM

Join us at 10 a.m. on November 21 for our next Talking History gathering at the Atheneum's Clowes Theater. University of Southern Indiana archivist Jennifer Greene will be there to share and discuss historical photos of New Harmony from the university archives on the large theater screen. Could you help her identify people, buildings, events, and other things shown in the photos? Do you have any questions about your own collections that Jennifer Green, our collections manager, and other people in the group could help answer?

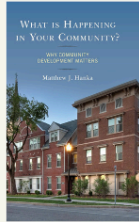
We welcome community members, visitors, and anyone else interested in New Harmony's history to this FREE event. For more information, contact Heidi Taylor-Caudill at htaylorca@usi.edu or 812-682-6133.

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MATTHEW J. HANKA, PH.D

What is Happening in Your Community? Why Community Development Matters



TALK
Q&A
BOOK SIGNING

NOVEMBER 21 AT 6 P.M.
CLOWES THEATER, ATHENEUM
NEW HARMONY, IN



Historic New Harmony

WHAT IS HAPPENING IN YOUR COMMUNITY? WHY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MATTERS NOVEMBER 21, 2024 - 6 PM

Last month, the New Harmony community spent a week reflecting on the future of the town. As a way to continue those important conversations, Historic New Harmony invited Dr. Matthew J. Hanka, Professor of Political Science at the University of Southern Indiana, to come to New Harmony to discuss his book, *What is Happening in Your Community? Why Community Development Matters*. Join us for Dr. Hanka's talk on Thursday, November 21 at 6 p.m. in the Atheneum's Clowes Theater. There will be a Q&A and book signing afterward. This event is FREE and open to the public.

"Communities are not static or stationary organisms. They are fluid and dynamic and change over time. The role of community development in the change and transformation of a community is critical to improving and enhancing the quality of life of the community and its residents. This book examines how community development changes a community and why that change matters, while also examining the relationship between community development and social capital. When a community improves its social capital, change can happen because people can leverage their networks to produce better results for themselves. This book also looks at comprehensive community development and collective impact models and several case studies that utilize these models. It also looks at how the transformation and revitalization of a neighborhood through new housing creates opportunities for people everywhere, and how effective placemaking strategies empower diverse groups of people in a community to reimagine their public spaces and the built environment to be more livable, walkable, creative, and sustainable while fostering greater connections with people in their community." - Book Description

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@Magnifyzoology, 2024

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A MONTH OF CELEBRATING MUSEUMS AND HERITAGE

For the 8th year in a row, museums, archives and heritage sites around the world will be participating in November in the #Museum30 Challenge. Each day, participants share a photo, video or illustration inspired by that day's theme with an explanation why they chose it. The list illustrated above contains the 30 prompts for the 2024 challenge.

Historic New Harmony will be joining in the fun again this year on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#). Starting on November 1, we will share a new photo each day featuring a collection item, historic site, or behind-the-scenes look at our work sharing the history of New Harmony. Follow along this month and let us know what you think about our responses to the prompts.

You can check out our Facebook posts from the 2023 #Museum30 Challenge [here](#).

NOTABLE DATES



David Lenz House. Photo courtesy of Historic New Harmony.



CLOSURES

November 27-December 1, 2024

Historic New Harmony's administrative offices and the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art will be closed from Wednesday, November 27 to Sunday, December 1.

The Atheneum Visitors Center will be closed for Thanksgiving Day on Thursday, November 28. It will reopen on Friday, November 29 and remain open that weekend for tours, film viewings, shopping, and visitor information.

December 21, 2024-January 1, 2025

Historic New Harmony's administrative offices and the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art will be closed from December 21, 2024, to January 1, 2025.

LAST DAY OF 2024 TOUR SEASON

Historic New Harmony will end its 2024 tour season on Sunday, December 15, 2024. The Atheneum Visitors Center will then be closed for the winter from December 16, 2024 to February 28, 2025. We will reopen the Atheneum on March 1, 2025.

For Winter 2025 visitors to New Harmony with questions and seeking information, we invite you to come to either the Schnee-Ribeyre-Elliott House (Historic New Harmony's administrative offices) or the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art for assistance.

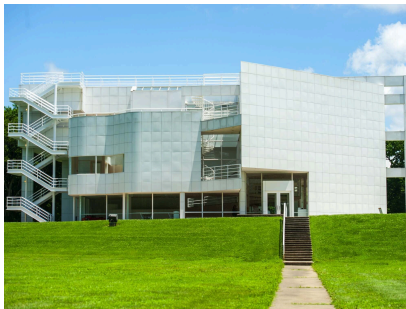
Hours and Locations

January 2-February 2025

Historic New Harmony
603 West Street
Open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-noon and 1-4:30 p.m.
Closed Saturday and Sunday

New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art
506 Main Street
Open Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Closed Sunday and Monday

DAILY ENGAGEMENTS



ATHENEUM
VISITORS CENTER



NEW HARMONY GALLERY
OF CONTEMPORARY ART



HISTORIC NEW
HARMONY OFFICE

The Atheneum serves as New Harmony's visitor center. Start your tour here or contact us for help in planning your trip to New Harmony!

401 North Arthur Street
812-682-4474
harmony@usi.edu

Hours

March 1-December 15, 2024
Tuesday-Saturday
9:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday
12-5 p.m.

Closed Monday

NHGCA provides exhibition space for current Midwestern artists and promotes discourse about and access to contemporary art in the southern Indiana region. Come see the latest exhibit and browse the Gallery Shop!

506 Main Street
812-682-3156
NewHarmony.Gallery@usi.edu

Hours

Tuesday-Saturday
10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Closed Sunday-Monday

Historic New Harmony's administrative offices are housed in the Schnee-Ribeyre-Elliott House. Stop by to say hello!

603 West Street
812-682-4488
harmony@usi.edu

Hours

Monday-Friday
8 a.m-noon and 1-4:30 p.m.

Closed Saturday-Sunday

Historic New Harmony

NEW HARMONY TOURS

Next time you're in New Harmony, consider catching one of our daily tours!

In the morning, we offer 45-minute tours onboard our tram that give you an overview of the town without having to step out of the vehicle. "Tour like a local" while an interpreter points out interesting places to visit, eat, and shop while also sharing stories about our local history.

In the afternoon, we take a more in-depth look at New Harmony with our 2-hour history tour. Join one of our interpreters in exploring several historic sites and learning more about the Harmonists, the Owen/Maclure community, and what came afterwards in New Harmony's history. This tour travels between sites via our tram and can be an easier option than walking tours for many visitors.

All Historic New Harmony tours start at the Atheneum Visitors Center. The 1 p.m. History Tour includes a 12-minute orientation film and Atheneum exhibits.

We can also customize our tours for a group's interest and schedule. Guided walking tours are available as well as "step-on" tours for groups on tour buses. Contact David Angel at



A tour group prepares to leave the Atheneum Visitors Center on the tram. Photo courtesy of Historic New Harmony.

Tour Times and Prices

Tram Tour (45 minutes)

Tuesday-Saturday
10 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.

Adults and children over 5: \$5

Children under 5: FREE

New Harmony residents: FREE

USI students, faculty, and staff: FREE with USI ID

History Tour (2 hours)

Tuesday-Sunday
1 p.m.

Adults: \$15

Seniors (60+) and AAA members: \$12

Students (6-18) and non-USI student (with ID): \$5

dwangel@usi.edu or 812-682-4488 for questions about scheduling group tours and discounted group rates.

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Children under 5: FREE
New Harmony residents: FREE
USI students, faculty, and staff: FREE with USI ID

Bundle Pricing (tours combined)

Adults: \$18
Seniors (age 60+) and AAA members: \$15
Students (6-18) and non-USI student (with ID): \$8



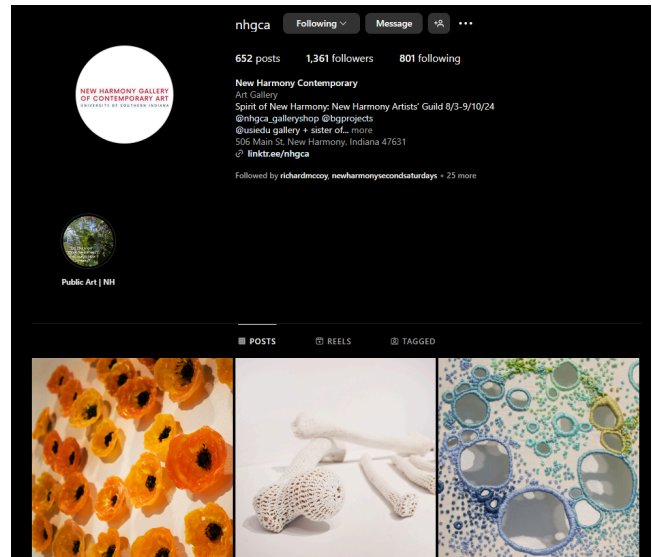
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GET YOUR DAILY DOSE OF NEW HARMONY

Do you love New Harmony and can't get enough of its history? Check out Historic New Harmony's Facebook and Instagram accounts. There we share photos, objects, archival materials, and stories from New Harmony's history, 1814 through the present day.

Learn about how Historic New Harmony works to preserve its historic sites and share the community's history with the wider world. Get updates on our upcoming events and programs. Interact with other people who live and work in New Harmony and are among our local experts on its history. We welcome you to be part of our growing online community!

Follow Historic New Harmony on:
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Instagram - [@historicnewharmony](https://www.instagram.com/historicnewharmony)



New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art

CONNECT ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Keep up-to-speed with the activities of the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art through its social media channels: Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube.

On Facebook and Instagram, view new works on display and photos from the Gallery's programs and events. On YouTube, watch recordings of the Gallery's panel discussions, artist talks, and poetry readings.

Follow the NHGCA on:
Facebook - [newharmonycontemporary](https://www.facebook.com/newharmonycontemporary)
Instagram - [@nhgca](https://www.instagram.com/nhgca)
YouTube - [@nhgca](https://www.youtube.com/@nhgca)

Or use the links below:



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LOOKING AHEAD

FUTURE PROGRAMS

Christmas in New Harmony Holiday House Tour

10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday, December 8, 2024

The annual Holiday House Tour highlights the diversity of architectural styles in New Harmony. This year, the David Lenz House at 324 North Street will be one of the beautiful and historical buildings on the tour. More details to come.

Talking History: Christmas Traditions

10 a.m., Thursday, December 19, 2024, at the Schnee-Ribeyre-Elliott House (603 West Street)

Join Historic New Harmony on December 19 for the last Talking History gathering of 2024 at the Schnee-Ribeyre-Elliott House. We will be discussing Christmas traditions, namely those of the Harmonists and Owen/Maclure community in New Harmony as well as your memories of Christmas in New Harmony and elsewhere. Please feel free to bring family photos, objects, and other materials related to Christmas to share with the rest of the group.

We welcome community members, visitors and anyone else interested in New Harmony's history to this event. For more information, contact Heidi Taylor-Caudill at 812-682-6133 or htaylorca@usi.edu.

Heritage Artisans Days

April 23-25, 2025, at the Atheneum Visitors Center (401 North Arthur Street)

Historic New Harmony will host its annual Heritage Artisans Days on April 23-25, 2025. Geared toward elementary school students, this program allows children to learn what life was like living in New Harmony, Indiana, in the early 1800s. Students will experience 19th-century history through interaction with historic interpreters who present their professions and roles, including paper marbling, blacksmithing and more! For more information, contact Historic New Harmony at 812-682-4488, email us at harmony@usi.edu or visit our [website](#).

FUTURE EXHIBITS

Exhibition curated by Makenzie Goodman and Adam Stacey

January 11-February 22, 2025, at the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art (506 Main Street)
Opening reception for their exhibition from 3-5 p.m. on Saturday, January 11, 2025

BG Projects Exhibition: CANDID curated by Violet Thomas Cummings

January-February 2025 at the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art (506 Main Street)

Exhibit: *Encountering*

March 1-April 12, 2025, at the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art (506 Main Street)
Opening reception for *Encountering* from 3-5 p.m. on Saturday, March 1, 2025

Help Historic New Harmony continue its historic preservation efforts, educational programming, and more with your charitable gift to the USI Foundation. You can make your gift securely online at [USI.edu/giving](https://usi.edu/giving), calling 812-464-1918, or mailing to USI Foundation, 8600 University Blvd., Evansville, IN 47712. Your charitable gift is tax-deductible, and a gift receipt will be issued.



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