

Introduction of Brian Cushing

Brian Cushing grew up in Louisville, Kentucky and never moved away from the general area. He currently resides in LaGrange, which he says is the most wonderful place he has ever lived. Brian is the Program Director at Historic Locust Grove, a circa 1792 historic house museum, just down the road in Louisville. The core of his job is developing and managing interpretive programming, basically bringing the place to life in engaging ways for the visitors. He has been involved at Locust Grove for nearly 21 years, first as a volunteer in 1999.

History is the focus outside of work as well, with most of what he reads, does, and thinks about, being centered on the details of everyday life in the 19th century. He is interested in 19th century men's clothing, architecture, food, and drink. He especially enjoys exploring skills and work as they were prior to the incorporation of gas and electric power.

He enjoys getting out and working with other organizations working to preserve and present history. The Underground Railroad is an important and inspiring story of the determination drive in the face of deadly odds to achieve freedom, quintessentially American.

Brian is always happy to spread the word about the 1808 small farm distillery project at Locust Grove!

Brian commented, "It is great to live in a place with such an active and professional historical society, it plays a big role in making Oldham County the gem that it is."