

Oldham County History Center Impact Report 2023

Family and Group Tours Throughout the Year



- Hidden History of LaGrange Walking Tour
- Underground Railroad Walking Tour
- Car Tour of the Underground Railroad
- Expanded Candlelight Cemetery Tours



Added STEM Programs & Hands-on History for Education Groups including new re-enactor addition of Delia Webster.



Launched **PREVIEW** of 2024 Corn Island Storytelling Festival

Expanded Volunteer Program to include Over 100 volunteers for program planning, events, and support activities

Celebrated 2023 Champion of Oldham County History, *Eleanor Bingham Miller* at the annual gala fundraiser.

2023 Gala Sponsorships		
Presenting Sponsors		
Owsley & Christina Brown Fund		
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Financial Solutions	East & Westbrook Construction	Champion Chevrolet-Buick - GMC
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New Museum Collections:

- Charlie Oldham's Meteorite
- Purple Star of WWII Veteran William Kline Smiser
- Marjorie Applegate's LaGrange School pics & artifacts
- Artifacts from Pewee Valley Confederate Home

2023 Day of the Dead Celebration:

Launched the first Day of the Dead Celebration featuring community altars and celebration of Hispanic culture.



2023 Juneteenth Celebration: Since 2004 the Oldham County History Center has celebrated Juneteenth. This year's Elijah Marris Award was given to Judge Jerry Crosby. This year's event included exhibits on local history, the art of Louisville native, Victor Sweatt, various performances, and numerous vendors.



2023 Morris Mount Roberts Fellowship was awarded to *Coleson Taylor*.

2023 History Center Audit available upon request

Named by the KY Department of Tourism as part of Kentucky's Unforgettable Attraction Tours!

Continued the Living Treasures Oral History Program adding 11 local oral histories which began in 2007 and now feature 187 histories of local leaders recognized for their contributions.



Conducted Barnyard Fun!



Free Family Programs Saturday from 10am to noon in conjunction with the LaGrange Farmer's market. Special guests included Oldham County Beekeepers Association, Louisville Dulcimer Society, KYANA Geological Society, 4-H Extension, Oldham County Library, Daughters of the American Revolution, Antique Iron Club. Other programs included Hearth Cooking Demonstrations and a Special Heritage Skills Day.



Annual Archaeology Public programs at the Bibbs Escape / Gatewood Plantation

Hosted vendor sites for the annual Oldham County Day sponsored by Project Guild.

Hosted UGRR History Bus Tours for Oldham County Tourism

Annual Breakfast with the Grinch & Light Up LaGrange Santa Claus reception

