



Historical Society of Michigan

News Release

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National Underground Railroad Conference Comes to Detroit

The annual **National Underground Railroad Conference** will take place in Detroit from **July 16 to July 20, 2014**, bringing together scholars, archivists, community researchers and enthusiasts from across the nation. **The Historical Society of Michigan is a co-sponsor of this event**, which will take place at the **Doubletree-Downtown in Detroit**.

The theme of this year's conference is "I Resolved Never to Be Conquered": Women and the Underground Railroad and will reveal the larger story of women's participation in the movement as freedom seekers and as operatives.

This **five-day conference** will include pre-conference events, renowned keynote speakers, panel discussions, an exhibit hall, and tours of local museums and historic sites. There will also be an affiliated tour to Canada on Sunday, July 20.

Registration for the conference is available through the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH) at <http://www.asalh.org/ugrr.html>. Sponsorship, Advertising and Exhibit/Vending opportunities are also available.

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The Historical Society of Michigan is our state's oldest cultural organization, founded in 1828 by territorial governor Lewis Cass and explorer Henry Schoolcraft. A nongovernmental nonprofit, the Society focuses on publications, conferences, education, awards and recognition programming, and support for local history organizations to preserve and promote Michigan's rich history.

For more information on the Historical Society of Michigan, please visit www.hsmichigan.org or e-mail us at hsm@hsmichigan.org.

At A Glance...

Along with the Historical Society of Michigan, sponsors of the conference are the National Park Service, National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom Program (NTF) in collaboration with Michigan Freedom Trail (MFT), the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH) and the Organization of American Historians (OAH).

The NTF, established by legislation passed in 1998, promotes the preservation and interpretation of resources associated with the Underground Railroad.

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