



OLD CAPITOL MUSEUM

Calendar of Events

School Year 2010–2011

- **Aug 24 – Jan 9, 2011**

Stately Elegance: The McWillie Epergne

A new exhibit highlighting selected artifacts features the table centerpiece used by Governor William McWillie and First Lady Catherine McWillie for grand occasions at the governor's mansion.

- **October 21**

Present Meets Past

5–8 p.m.

Meet key figures (in period dress) who helped shape the history of the Old Capitol.

- **October 1–31**

The Mummy Returns

The famous “Mummy” returns to the Old Capitol Museum for the month of October.

- **November 5**

Teachers Workshop

8 a.m.–3 p.m.

“Antebellum Mississippi: 1833-1860” is the theme of the annual Social Studies Teachers Workshop at the Old Capitol Museum. 0.5 CEU available through Mississippi College. For more information call 601-576-6800.

- **December**

Holiday Happenings

December Food for Thought

In a new holiday tradition, visitors to the Old Capitol are invited to donate books and non-perishable foods during December. Books will benefit the Mississippi Public Broadcasting annual book drive, and food will be donated to Operation Shoestring. Special programming for school groups will highlight the value of good citizenship.

December 3 Candlelight Tour *4:30–8:30 p.m.*

This popular annual event features seasonal decorations at the Old Capitol Museum, the Governor's Mansion, State Capitol, and William Winter Archives Building.

December 3, 4, 11, 17, & 18 Sounds of the Season *noon*

Enjoy local choirs in the Old Capitol Museum's rotunda on selected Fridays and Saturdays.

December 3–18 Telling Tales *Fridays at 3:30 p.m., & Saturdays at 10 a.m.*

Enjoy storytelling time with an ethical focus for children.

- **December 10**

Statehood Day

noon

Celebrate Mississippi's 193rd birthday with an address by former governor William F. Winter. Reception to follow.



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- **January 7**

- **Secession Revisited**

- *10 a.m. to noon*

- Commemorate Mississippi's Civil War Sesquicentennial where it all began. Historians Tim Smith and George Rable analyze the 150th anniversary of Mississippi's decision to leave the Union, setting the state toward Civil War.

- **Jan 25 – Apr 10**

- **Pieces of the Past: Casualties of War**

- To commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Civil War, this rotating artifact exhibit features grim reminders of war: a prosthetic leg and amputation tools.

- **February**

- **Black History: Road to the Vote** *Tuesdays & Thursdays 9 & 10:30*

- This program offered to school groups provides a glimpse of African American history in Mississippi, specifically relating to the struggle for voting rights. Reservations required.

- **March 12**

- **Rebellion and Relics: The Civil War in Mississippi** *10 a.m. to 4 p.m.*

- Experience the Civil War with presentations on artifacts, diaries, letters, and historic sites; historic reenactors; and an opportunity for visitors to bring their Civil War-related treasures for identification and review.

- **April 9**

- **2nd Annual Gathering on the Green** *10 a.m. to 3 p.m.*

- Enjoy food, fun, and festivities on the historic Old Capitol Green.

- **Apr 26 – Jul 10**

- **Pieces of the Past: Spoils of War**

- Continuing the commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the Civil War, this rotating artifact exhibit features a 19th century garnet necklace that was taken from a Jackson resident during the Union occupation of the city.

*For more information on any of the listed programs, please call 601-576-6920,
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