



Vermont Archives Month

Recognizing the importance of records with enduring value

Vermont Voice & Vote

Creating Your Archives Month Events and Activities

Hosting events and activities for Archives Month can enable you to present historic information and to convey the importance of archives to a variety of audiences. As we grapple with the COVID-19 crisis, we must be aware that events may not be able to happen in person. As you plan Archives Month activities, consider virtual events or non-synchronous activities. Our adaptations can better position our work to be accessible for all. Consider the following:

- Lectures (in-person, recorded or live streamed)
- Exhibits (in-person, online)
- Crowd-sourced transcription or research projects
- Virtual tours of your institution
- Storytelling groups that allow people to share their own stories or research
- Podcasts about people, places, and events informed by your collections
- Outreach to nearby institutions to share and compare collections
- Sharing behind-the-scenes looks at your work
- Sharing how-to tips for personal archiving
- Local walking tours that pair historical sites to archival documents or that allow attendees to match historical photos to present-day views
- And don't forget about Ask An Archivist Day (October 7), an annual social media campaign! You can learn more from the Society of American Archivists:
<https://www2.archivists.org/initiatives/askanarchivist-day>

Please share your events and activities with us so we can connect and publicize programs throughout the state. You can add any events to the Vermont Archives Month calendar at:
<https://vtarchivesmonth.org/planning/>