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History Foundation Launches Helena History Hikes & Walks 2022 Season

The Montana History Foundation is launching the 2022 season of their Helena History Hikes and Walks program. Three different tours will run multiple times per week starting Memorial Day weekend and ending Labor Day weekend. Helena History Hikes & Walks promotes heritage tourism, outdoor recreation, and downtown businesses.

“We are excited to build on last season’s program and offer a wider variety of history tours this summer,” says President/CEO Charlene Porsild. “Our goal is to have the tours connect residents and visitors with Helena’s rich landscape and history.”

The three tours are as follows:

Legends in Limestone History Hike on Mt. Helena

This 90-minute guided hike meets at the Mount Helena parking lot. On this low-key traverse, you’ll hear stories of the colorful characters and community endeavors that helped shape Helena into the town we see today. **Legends in Limestone History Hike: takes place Saturdays at 11:00 a.m.**

Breweries & Brothels Downtown History Walk

This 90-minute downtown guided walk begins at Reeder’s Alley. Along the way, you’ll visit the historic red-light district. You’ll learn about Helena’s brewing history and hear stories about the madams of Helena’s underworld! **Breweries & Brothels Downtown Walk: takes place Thursdays through Saturdays at 5:00 p.m.**

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Steeple & Stories Downtown History Walk

This 90-minute downtown guided walking tour begins at the Helena Cathedral. Marvel in the shadows of buildings whose dominant façades showcase Helena's prosperous past. Join us on this low-difficulty, family-friendly event. **Steeple & Stories Downtown Walk: takes place Sundays and Mondays at 1:00 p.m.**

The historical content of our program has been researched and written by History Foundation Program Director Dr. Ciara Ryan.

“We are elated to share the story of Helena’s historic districts,” says Ryan. “We are especially grateful to the downtown businesses whose continued support make this program possible.”

Tickets can be purchased at www.mthistory.org, where you’ll find the complete schedule and prices.

Helena History Hikes & Walks is made possible with the help of our premiere sponsors Visit Helena, The Base Camp, and Blackfoot Brewing and our title sponsors Blue Cross Blue Shield of Montana, The Windbag Saloon & Grill, and Ten Mile Creek Brewery.

For more information on Helena History Hikes & Walks, please contact Community Outreach Manager Zach Coe at (406) 202-8196.

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