

THE BLACKBOARD

Winter 2010



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I DON'T WANT TO GO TO SCHOOL! I HATE SCHOOL! I'D RATHER DO ANYTHING THAN GO TO SCHOOL!



OHIO HISTORICAL SOCIETY

National History Day in Ohio Looking for Judges

Interested in learning more about History Day while experiencing student achievement firsthand? Sign up to judge for regional or Ohio History Day! Judges evaluate student work, work in teams, and decide which projects move on to the next level of competition. Judging typically starts at 8am with an overview of the program and training and is done by 1pm. Judges are provided with continental breakfast and lunch. Regional events take place Saturdays in

ances, documentaries, exhibits, and web sites. The 2009-2010 theme is *Innovation in History: Impact and Change*.

For more information, or to sign up as a judge, contact state coordinator Mary Bezbatchesko at mbezbatchenko@ohiohistory.org or 614.297.2528.

National History Day in Ohio can be found online at www.ohiohistoryday.org.

March and Ohio History Day is April 24, 2010 at The Ohio State University.

National History Day in Ohio is a yearlong program for students in grade 4-5 and 6-12. Students conduct research around an annual theme and create historical papers, perform-



MUSEUM SPOTLIGHT

Education + Outreach

The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum's education programs have become **the most celebrated and award-winning emanating from any fine arts museum in the nation.**

Music gives us a microphone to speak to the world. And music has the power to bring generations, nationalities and people to-

gether. Now more than ever, it's critical to study and understand how music is changing our world as well as reflecting it.

The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum is the non-profit organization that exists to educate visitors, fans and scholars from around the world about the history and

Address:

Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum
1100 Rock and Roll Boulevard
Cleveland, Ohio 44114
(East Ninth Street at Lake Erie)

Museum Offices:

216.781.ROCK (7625)

<http://www.rockhall.com/>



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Columbus Museum of Art: Pressing Matters!

The Columbus Museum of Art has a new program to bring to your school! This program entitled "Pressing Matters" is no cost to the school and provides middle students with an opportunity to not only experience great works of art in-person, but to think creatively and integrate their experiences of interpreting art with their knowledge of history, social issues, and language. Pressing Matters is a three day program that

partners the Museum with a middle school that has no visual arts program in order to provide a rich interdisciplinary experience. CMA staff spends two days working with students in the classroom exploring socially charged works of art, prints from the Museum's collection, and create and experiment with a hands-on project that will be displayed at the Museum. For the third day of the program students will visit

the Museum, engage with artwork from the Museum's collection and see the work they created being displayed. The National Endowment for the Arts recognized this program with a Challenge America Grant.



Buckeye Council for History Education 2010 Annual Conference Call for Proposals

As a participant of a Teaching American History grant program, you are cordially invited to attend this year's Buckeye Council for History Education (BCHE) conference (for FREE!). This year, we'd also like to provide an opportunity for you to share your expertise incorporating history content into practical and dynamic classroom instruction with your colleagues from across the state.

The theme for this year's BCHE conference reflects the 2011 National History Day theme; *Diplomacy and Dialogue in History: Successes, Failures, Consequences*. How do you teach diplomacy in your classroom? What activities enhance student understanding? What challenges have you faced and what have you learned from the effort? We're looking for sessions that will foster dialogue among education professionals and model successful classroom activities.

Conference sessions will be held in Columbus, Ohio on July 23, 2010. Email: [BCHE @ohiohistory.org](mailto:BCHE@ohiohistory.org) Phone: 614.297.2547

Educator's Open House &
Literacy Workshop

-Featuring-

Sharon Draper

Award winning author of Copper Sun

Wednesday, January 13, 2010

5:30-8:30 PM



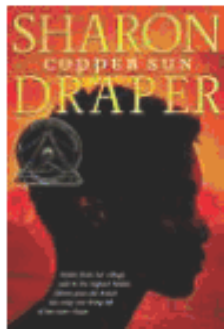
National Underground Railroad
FREEDOM CENTER

(Hors D' Oeuvres will be served!)



Come meet us and learn more about...

- How to use literature in the Social Studies classroom (for all grades!)
- Digital programs for teachers to use in the classroom
- Teacher Institutes and workshops
- School tours aligned to Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana's curriculum



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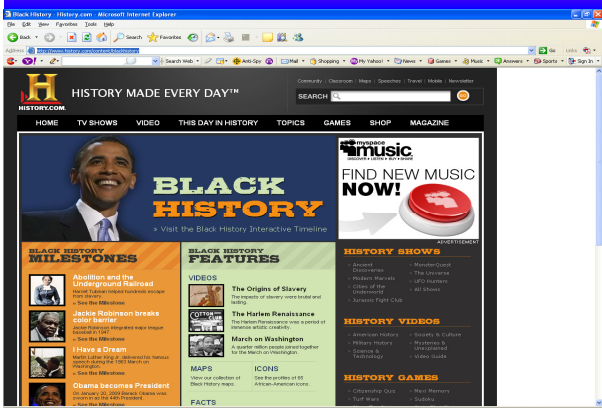
(Please give your name, school name, e-mail address.)

Celebrating History

February is Black History Month

Black History Month is a remembrance of important people and events in the history of the African Diaspora. Americans have recognized black history annually since 1926, first as Negro History Week and later as Black History Month. At this time black history had barely begun to be studied-or even documented-when the tradition originated. Although blacks have been in America at least as far back as colonial times, it was not until the 20th century that they gained a respectable presence in the history books.

<http://www.history.com/content/blackhistory>



Elvis Presley 75th Anniversary

Elvis Aaron Presley was born on January 8, 1935 in Tupelo, Mississippi. With a sound and style that uniquely combined his diverse musical influences of R& B, country and gospel Elvis challenged the social and racial barriers of the time and ushered in a whole new era of American music and popular culture.

<http://www.elvis.com/>



Resource Spotlight



PBS Teachers:

Resources For the Classroom

PBS Teachers is PBS' national web destination for high-quality preK-12 educational resources. Here you'll find classroom materials suitable for a wide range of subjects and grade levels. We provide thousands of lesson plans, teaching activities, on-demand video assets, and interactive games and simulations. These resources are correlated to state and national educational standards and are tied to PBS' award-winning on-air and online programming like NOVA, Nature, Cyberchase, Between the Lions and more.

<http://www.pbs.org/teachers/>

