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EXPLORE DETROIT'S NOTORIOUS UNDERWORLD

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DETROIT – The Detroit Historical Society's Author Series continues with a discussion featuring author Scott Burnstein on Wednesday, May 14 from 6 – 8 p.m. at the Detroit Historical Museum. Burnstein is the author of "Motor City Mafia: A Century of Organized Crime in Detroit," published by Arcadia Publishing.

The book chronicles the storied gangland history of Detroit's notorious underworld, including the exploits and leadership of the southeast Michigan crime syndicate. Through a stunning array of rare archival photographs and images, Burnstein captures Detroit's infamous past from its inception in the early 20th century to the downfall of the area's mob reign in the 1980s and 1990s.

Burnstein was born and raised in Detroit and specializes in the history of organized crime in America. He has a law degree from the John Marshall School of Law in Chicago and a bachelor's degree from Indiana University in Bloomington.

Arcadia Publishing is the leading publisher of local and regional history in the United States. Their mission is to make history accessible and meaningful through the publication of books on the heritage of America's people and places.

The cost for the event is free for Detroit Historical Society members and \$10 for the public. For more information or to register for the event, please call (313) 833-1801 or visit www.detroithistorical.org/thingstodo.

The Detroit Historical Museum, located at 5401 Woodward Ave. in Detroit's Cultural Center area, is open to the public Wednesday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday from Noon to 5 p.m. On Mondays and Tuesdays, the Museum is not open to the public but available for group tours by calling (313) 833-7979. Adult admission is \$6. Seniors (60+), college students with valid college

ID, and youth ages 5-18 pay \$4. Admission for children ages four and under is free. Parking in the Museum's lot is \$3 at all times. Permanent exhibits include the famous

Streets of Old Detroit, Frontiers to Factories, The Motor City, and The Glancy Trains. New exhibits include Detroit's Classic Radio Voices, 1920s: Detroit's Building Boom; Rallying the Home Front: Posters from WWII; New to the Collection, a showcase of recently acquired antiques, oddities, and treasures; the Detroit Artist Showcase featuring early 20th century artist Amy Lorimer; and Automotive Showplace. For more information, call the Museum at (313) 833-1805 or check out our website at www.detroithistorical.org.