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CHECK OUT THE DETROIT HISTORICAL SOCIETY'S JULY BEHIND THE SCENES SATURDAYS TOURS

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Join the Detroit Historical Society as the Behind the Scenes Saturdays series continues with the following guided tours of some of metro Detroit's best historic sites.
Indian Village – July 7 at 11 a.m.

Art and architecture historian Dr. Thomas Brunk guides this walking tour of one of Detroit's most special neighborhoods. Many of the homes in Indian Village, built between 1895 and the 1920s, are the work of famous Detroit architects like Albert Kahn, Louis Kamper and William Stratton. Families with names like Book, Buhl, Ford and Stroh once called Indian Village home.

Boston-Edison District – July 14 at 11 a.m.

Jerald Mitchell, archivist and historian for the Historic Boston-Edison Association, guides this walking tour of the largest residential historic district in the United States. Boston-Edison was once the exclusive neighborhood of Detroit's rich and famous, including Sebastian Kresge and Henry Ford (Mitchell lives in Ford's former mansion!).

Sacred Heart Seminary – July 21 at 11 a.m.

The architect who designed and built Sacred Heart Seminary in 1924 guaranteed it would stand for 300 years. John Duncan, the seminary's director of building administration, guides you through the Gothic architecture of this seminary that has been preparing men for the Catholic priesthood for 83 years.

Wyandotte Trolley Tour – July 28 at 10:30 a.m. (note special start time and pricing)

In 1732, a First Nation people called the Wyandot established a village on the Detroit River south of the French settlement at Detroit. When industry flourished along the river, immigrants from around the world came to Wyandotte to work in the factories and mills. Today, the city of Wyandotte is collection of historic buildings and homes from the early 19th century Biddle House to the GI homes of post-World War II. This tour includes lunch and costs \$25 for Detroit Historical Society members and \$35 for guests.

The cost for each event is \$20 for Society members and \$25 for guests (except the Wyandotte Trolley tour). Reservations are limited and advance registration is highly recommended. Payment must accompany your reservation. Telephone reservations can be accepted with a VISA, Mastercard or Discover Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. No tickets will be sold on the day of the tour.

For more information or to reserve your spot for the Detroit Historical Society's Behind the Scenes Saturdays or other 2007 events, call (313) 833-7935, or go to www.detroithistorical.org/thingstodo.

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