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## **THE DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM TAKES ITS SUMMER RECESS**

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**CLOSING TO THE PUBLIC August 20 – September 7**

Six new or refreshed exhibitions mark opening day on Saturday, September 8th

**DETROIT** -- The Detroit Historical Museum will close to the public at the end of the day Sunday, August 19th for a three-week summer recess. The Detroit Historical Society will install or refresh six exhibitions before the Museum opens again to the public with a weekend of free admission starting Saturday, September 8th.

Among new exhibitions, the main attraction will be 1920s: Detroit's Building Boom, in which visitors will marvel at Detroit landmarks that serve as monuments to the decade when the city was America's gilded boomtown. Rallying the Home Front is a new exhibition that displays American propaganda from World War II.

Three permanent areas will see big changes. New to the Collection, a showcase of artifacts recently acquired by the Detroit Historical Society, will show off a new batch of Detroit antiquities, oddities, and treasures, including items from the 2006 World Series. The Detroit Artist Showcase, a mini gallery of paintings by a historic Detroit artist, will feature works by Amy Lorimer. Fabulous 5, a potpourri of Detroit's pop culture will show off "Detroit's Sports Legends." Finally, Automotive Showplace, an ode to the American art form of automotive design, will display a classic Cadillac.

The installation of 1920s: Detroit's Building Boom means this week is the last chance for visitors to see Treasures of the Collection, a kind of A to Z "hall of fame" for artifacts from the Museum's collection of more than 200,000 items.

The Detroit Historical Museum, located at 5401 Woodward Ave. (NW corner of Kirby) in Detroit's Cultural Center area, is open to the public through August 19th 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. For more information, call the Museum at (313) 833-1805 or check out our website at [www.detroithistorical.org](http://www.detroithistorical.org).