TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR THE DETROIT HISTORICAL SOCIETY’S JANUARY BEHIND THE SCENES TOURS

DETROIT - The Detroit Historical Society continues its popular weekly “Behind the Scenes” series, sponsored by the DTE Energy Foundation, this January. Tickets are still available for the following guided tours of some of Metro Detroit’s most unique locations:

- **Detroit Opera House** on **Saturday, January 14 at 10 a.m.** - The 4,250-seat Detroit Opera House originally opened on January 12, 1922 and is currently home to the Michigan Opera Theatre. The building was designed by renowned Detroit architect C. Howard Crane, who also designed the Fox Theatre, Gem Theatre and Orchestra Hall. It is decorated in the Italian Renaissance style with lavish crystal chandeliers, frescoes, brass fixtures, marble stairways and drinking fountains. The cost of this tour is $20 for Society members and $30 for guests.

- **Country Club of Detroit** on **Saturday, January 21 at 10 a.m.** – A passion for golf drove eight of Detroit’s elite entrepreneurs to construct the Country Club of Detroit in 1897. Its history spans World War I, Prohibition, the Stock Market Crash of 1929, the era of the debutantes and several clubhouse transformations, including a renovation by legendary Detroit architect Albert Kahn. The cost of this tour is $40 for Society members and $50 for guests and includes lunch.

- **Joe Louis Arena** on **Friday, January 27 at 10 a.m.** – Building on a rich tradition of history, Joe Louis Arena sits proudly on the banks of the Detroit River and hosted its first event – a University of Michigan vs. University of Detroit basketball game -- on December 12, 1979. Since then, the home of Red Wings hockey has been host to a variety of events including concerts, basketball games, ice shows, performances and countless other events. On this special tour, guests will explore the arena’s Alumni Room, Olympia Club, Media Lounge, Press Box, a Supersuite, and the visitors’ Locker Room. The cost of this tour is $20 for Society members and $30 for guests.
To reserve your spot for one of these Detroit Historical Society Behind the Scenes tours call (313) 833-1801. For more information about these tours or other 2012 events, visit www.detroithistorical.org. Telephone reservations can be accepted with a Visa, MasterCard, Discover or American Express on Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Space is limited and advance registration is required. Tickets are not sold the day of the tour.

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