Dressing at Downton Abbey

Indulge in the splendor of another era on Saturday, April 13th when the TR Site’s Costume Resource Center presents Dressing at Downton Abbey. Follow the Crawley women through four decades of elegant fashions as our models show off treasures from the elegant luxury of the Edwardian era to the sassy looks of the Roaring Twenties. We’ll also offer a fascinating glimpse at the entire process of dressing the ladies of the manor from underpinnings to accessories as we outfit mannequins in the perfect, in-style ensembles of each decade. While we don’t have the luxury of Mrs. Patmore and Daisy in our kitchen, we will serve a most elegant afternoon tea to complete the experience. Sweet and savory delicacies inspired by the kitchen of the grand estate like “Lady Mary’s Crab Canapés” and “Mrs. Patmore’s Madeira Poundcake” will be featured along with champagne to toast the memorable afternoon.

Dressing at Downton Abbey begins at 1:00 PM in the Carriage House gallery. The cost is $30 for TR Site members and $35 for nonmembers. Please call for reservations, 884-0095.

The War of 1812, Buffalo, and the TR Inaugural Site

With Patrick Kavanagh
Tuesday, April 30, 2013, 5:30 PM
Admission: $5, free for TR Site members
Please call 716-884-0095 to RSVP

True, the War of 1812 took place well before TR’s Presidency (or, for that matter, well before his birth). However, Western New York was greatly affected as a major front of the war. That included the neighborhood where the Site now stands. Additionally, many officers who served on the Niagara Frontier later returned to Buffalo in the 1840s, when the current TR Site served as officers’ quarters for a military post. As part of continuing observances of the war’s bicentennial, Forest Lawn historian Patrick Kavanagh will address the War of 1812 on the Niagara Frontier and draw connections to the structure that today serves as the Theodore Roosevelt Inaugural Site. Come join us in exploring this crucial but too often overlooked aspect of our region’s history.
Behind-the-Scenes in 2013: Better Than Ever!

The TR Site’s nationally-recognized Behind-the-Scenes tour series is back! Don’t miss out on this unique opportunity to get “up close” and enjoy some rarely-seen artifacts from the TR Site’s collection. Curator Lenora Henson leads each theme-based tour and she will not only share lots of interesting stories and anecdotes, but also invite participants to visit the museum’s storage area. Join us, and see why past participants have described the tours as a "wonderful opportunity!"

Tuesday, April 16th - 2:00PM
*NEW* Curator’s Choice

Wednesday, May 8th - 11:00AM & 6:00PM
Souvenirs & Stories from Buffalo’s Pan-Am Expo

Monday, September 23rd - 10:00AM
Theodore Roosevelt: Tales & Treasures

Wednesday, October 16th - 1:00PM & 6:00PM
*NEW* Curator’s Choice

Sunday, November 3rd - 2:00PM
Souvenirs & Stories from Buffalo’s Pan-Am Expo

All tours last approximately 1½ hours and are limited to 10 people.
Participants will receive a coupon good for a "standard" guided tour of the TR Site ($10 value).

Pre-paid reservations required. Sorry, no refunds.
$15 TR Site Members* / $25 Non-Members

*New for 2013! As a benefit of membership, TR Site members at the Rough Rider level ($75) and above receive 3 free Behind-the-Scenes tour tickets. Call for details.

Reservations can be made by contacting Curator Lenora Henson directly at (716) 884-0095 ext.14, or via email at Lenora_Henson@partner.nps.gov

Celebrating Recent Acquisitions

Be sure to stop in and check out the TR Site’s latest exhibit before it closes on April 7th. Called It May Be Old … But, It’s NEW To Us, this annual exhibit showcases artifacts that were added to the Site’s historic collection within the last year. Fifteen generous donors from around the corner and as far away as New Hampshire and Florida donated more than fifty objects in 2012, including a campaign pin shaped like Roosevelt’s pince-nez glasses, a soup bowl from the Kathryn Lawrence Dining Rooms, a scrapbook from Buffalo’s 1901 Pan-American Exposition, and a wonderful photograph of the Wilcox home blanketed in snow.

Are you interested in making a donation to the TR Site’s collection? Visit our website for more information: http://www.trsite.org/content/pages/artifact-donation.