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Architecture, Aviation, & Ancestry: Admiring San Juan Islands History

"History Lives Here" brings island stories to life in May

FRIDAY HARBOR, WA... "We are not makers of history. We are made by history." -Martin Luther King, Jr. When we say "History Lives Here," it is to bring attention to our island community's often somewhat hidden, or at least not broadly remembered, rich local history. In typical years we celebrate with guided walking tours, history talks, displays and other events that bring the history of the islands to life. This year, however, we are adapting the way we tell our story to reflect social distancing made necessary by the COVID-19 pandemic.

History Lives Here Events for 2021:

- May 15 San Juan Island's Old Military Road Then and Now, American Camp Visitor Center, 10:30 a.m.
- May 18 History Lives in Us: Orcas Island "Back in the Day", Zoom, 10:30 a.m.
- May 18 From Odd Fellows to Orcas, Zoom, 7:00 p.m.
- May 20 <u>Architecture of the Recent Past: What Park Street Tells Us</u>, Zoom, 5:00 p.m.
- May 26 The Kanakas of San Juan Island, Zoom, 7:00 p.m.
- May 27 <u>A Kepi in the Tide Writing Historical Fiction</u>, Zoom, 10:30 a.m.
- May 28 Flying Into History: Roy Franklin, Island Aviation and Ernie's Cafe, Zoom, 11:00 a.m.

May 30 - <u>A Pioneer Homestead Walk – The Sandwith Homestead and Orchard</u>, On-site, 9:00 a.m. Social distancing and masks required.

There is so much fascinating history of island life in the San Juan Islands. We hope you can enjoy these events and more this month. For more information, check out <u>www.visitsanjuans.com/history-lives-here</u>.

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