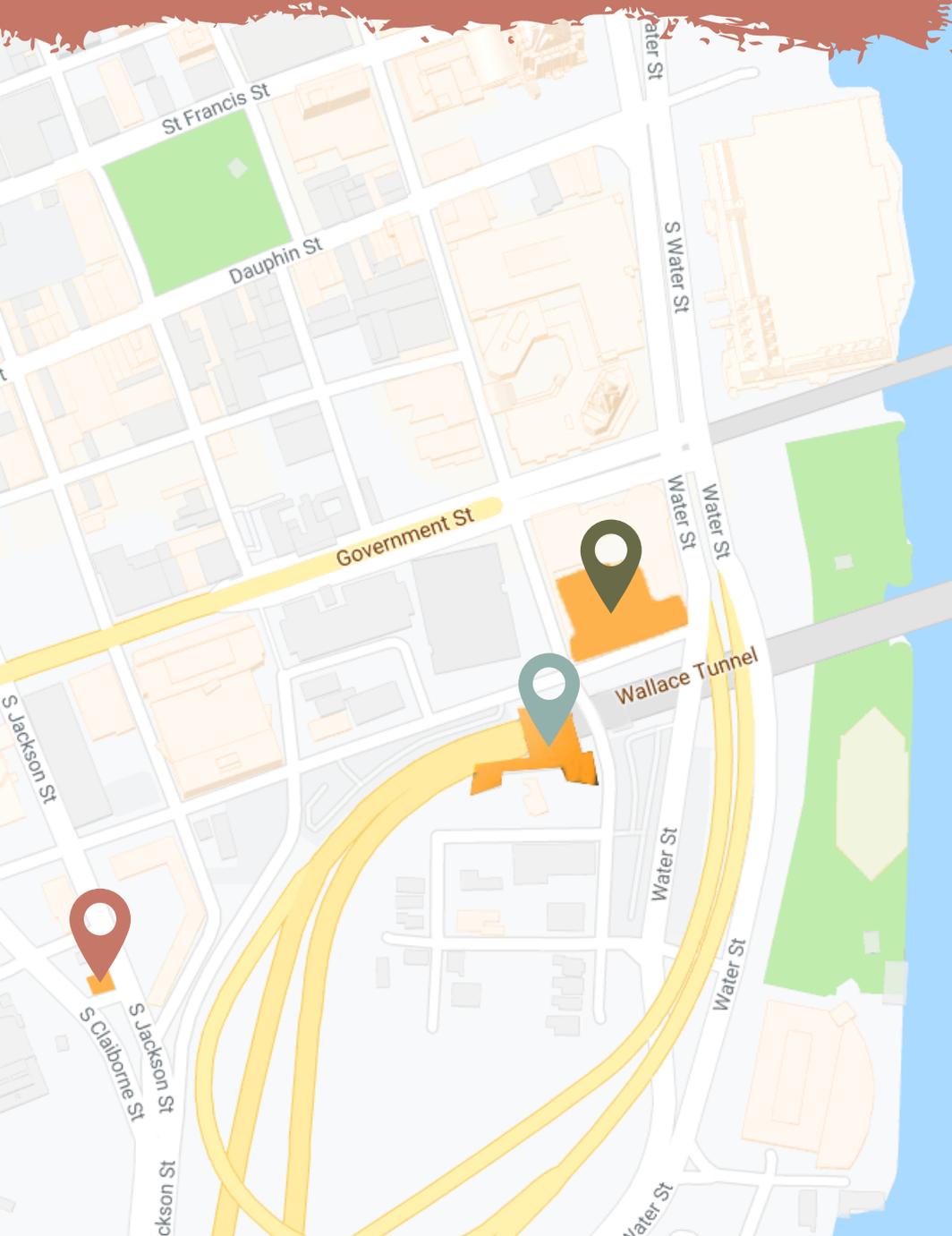




School Tour Planner

2022-2023

Three Historical Locations





History Museum of Mobile

111 South Royal Street

Over 20,000 square feet of artifacts, text, audio, video, and hands on interactives in the History Museum of Mobile bring Mobile's history to life. Our special exhibition galleries also change periodically so visitors discover something new with each returning visit.



Colonial Fort Condé

150 South Royal Street

Colonial Fort Condé is a modern replica of the French fort that once stood in the same location over two hundred years ago. This 4/5 scale section of the fort serves as a museum for Mobile's Colonial history.



Phoenix Fire Museum

111 South Royal Street

The Phoenix Fire Museum traces the history of firefighting in Mobile from its beginnings to the present. Visitors can explore antique fire trucks and fascinating equipment.



**Tours are available Monday - Friday.
Call for admission rates. Group rates available.
Please call (251) 301-0270 for more information.**

Museums may be closed on select city holidays.

School Programs

School tours are led by museum staff and are available for visitors from preschool through high school. Tours require a minimum of 10, and a chaperone is needed for every 10 students. Tours are available Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m.. All tours must be scheduled at least two weeks in advance. Large groups may need to visit the museum in shifts.

Tours may be selected from those listed on the next couple of pages, or the Curator of Education will work with school educators to tailor a tour to a specific theme. We can also collaborate with educators to create a tour that is suitable for students with special needs. **Tours and school programs were developed to support Alabama Course of Study Content Standards.**

To book a tour, please call (251) 301-0270 or email our Curator of Education, Jennifer Theeck, at theeckj@historymuseumofmobile.com



History Museum of Mobile

Eye Spy Scavenger Hunt

1 hour (Preschool - 3rd Grade)

This visual scavenger hunt is designed with young learners in mind. On this artifact finding adventure, we teach students about museums and how they care for the artifacts in their collections. Students also try the museum's interactive exhibit components. When the scavenger hunt is completed, all students get a small prize!



Footsteps Through Time Scavenger Hunt Tour

1.5 hours (4th Grade - 8th Grade)

This scavenger hunt through the permanent exhibit, *Old Ways, New Days: The Story of Mobile*, is designed for cooperative learning. Students discover Mobile history by working together to find the answers to the questions in the exhibit. The tour can also include the museum's upstairs thematic exhibits. When the scavenger hunt is completed, all students get a small prize!



Permanent Exhibits Tour

1.5 hours (9th Grade - 12th Grade)

This is a lecture-discussion tour of the museum's permanent exhibits. Students will also have the opportunity to try the museum's interactive exhibit components.

Special Exhibition Tour

1/2 - 1 hour

The type of tour and the grade levels that it is appropriate for will depend upon the exhibition. See the final pages of this planner for the exiting exhibits on display this year!

Behind the Scenes Tour

1/2 - 1 hour (9th Grade - 12th Grade)

This tour will get an exclusive look at the museum's amazing Collection Storage Area. Group size is limited to 15 students, 2 chaperones are required.

Colonial Fort Condé

Guided Tour

1 hour (4th Grade - 12th Grade)

Discover Mobile's colonial era history at this replica fort. Tour includes the fort museum, grounds, and upper level observation deck.



Phoenix Fire Museum

Housed in the restored home of the Phoenix Volunteer Fire Company No. 6, the Phoenix Fire Museum includes turn-of-the-century horse-drawn steam engines and early motorized vehicles. The gallery on the Second Floor recounts the history of the volunteer fire companies of Mobile from their organization in 1838. Groups that exceed 40 people (including teachers and chaperones) will need to visit the museum in shifts.



Guided Tour

1/2 hour (Preschool - 12th Grade)

Students will learn about the history of firefighting in Mobile and discover antique fire trucks and equipment.

Phoenix Fire Museum Scavenger Hunt Tour

1/2 hour (Preschool - 3rd Grade)

On this artifact finding adventure, we teach students about what museums do and what artifacts are. Students then look through the Phoenix Fire Museum's exhibits to find special artifacts. When the scavenger hunt is completed, all students get a small prize!

Making History Classroom Program

Students visit the museum classroom to complete a take-home project that will complement their tour. Education staff members facilitate the lesson. This option costs just \$1.00 per student.



Quilt Squares (30 min)

Recommended grades K-6

Students will learn about the designs, symbolism, and historical significance of quilts as they create their own quilt square.



Trade Beads (30 min)

Recommended grades 3-9

Students will learn about the history of trade beads and their significance in the colonization of the New World as they make their own trade bead bracelet.



Quill Pens (30 min)

Recommended grades 3-9

Students will learn about the history of writing as they make their own quill pen and then put it to the test.



Marbled Paper Activity (30 min)

Recommended grades 4-12

Students will learn the history and secrets of the ancient art of paper marbling and then use authentic methods to make their own marbled paper.



Native American Pottery (1 hour)

Recommended grades 4-12

Students will learn about the types of pottery made by the Native Americans, the first people to live in the Mobile Bay area. They will follow directions to make their own pottery using the same techniques as the Native Americans.



African Masks (1 hour)

Recommended grades K-12

Students will learn about African masks from the museum's collection and how they are important to various African cultures. They will then make a mask of their own using some of the symbolism and design features found in African masks.



Lunch (30 min)

Weather-permitting, you may eat inside the museum's outdoor courtyard. Space can also be reserved inside the museum.

Hands-on History Outreach Program

HISTORY BASED ACTIVITIES BROUGHT TO YOUR CLASSROOM!

Each activity supports Alabama Course of Study content standards for Social Studies and/or Visual Arts. We will bring the necessary supplies to your classroom, and we set up and conduct the activity. Choose from one of the five options listed below.



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Native Americans: The First Mobilians

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If funding is available, Title I schools in Mobile County are eligible for these programs free of charge. Other schools will pay a nominal fee of \$1 per student (to cover the cost of transportation and supplies).

Colonial Day at Fort Condé

FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2023
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Bring your class to see what life was like in Colonial Mobile at this FREE educational event. Talk to re-enactors, watch demonstrations, churn butter, do laundry on a wooden washboard, play colonial games, and more!

Please call (251) 301-0270 for more information or to make a reservation.



Mobile's History in Art: 30 Decades in 30 Works

In celebration of Mobile's 2002 tricentennial, the *Press-Register* commissioned 30 works of art - one for each decade of Mobile history. For years, those works were on view at the Press-Register building, which also opened in 2002. Now, they're part of the permanent collection of the History Museum of Mobile, on view together in a special exhibition in the Hearin-Chandler Auditorium. Come discover this artistic exploration of local history!

This exhibition is suitable for all ages and supports the following Alabama Course of Study Content Standards.

4TH GRADE SOCIAL STUDIES

- 2) Relate reasons for European exploration and settlement in Alabama to the impact of European explorers on trade, health, and land expansion in Alabama.
- 6) Describe cultural, economic, and political aspects of the lifestyles of early nineteenth-century farmers, plantation owners, slaves, and townspeople.
- 8) Explain Alabama's economic and military role during the Civil War.
- 10) Analyze social and educational changes during the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries for their impact on Alabama.
- 13) Describe the economic and social impact of World War II on Alabamians, including entry of women into the workforce, increase in job opportunities, rationing, utilization of Alabama's military installations, military recruitment, the draft, and a rise in racial consciousness.
- 14) Analyze the modern Civil Rights Movement to determine the social, political, and economic impact on Alabama.



DRESSING THE *Abbey*



The History Museum of Mobile invites visitors to experience fashion and culture from the late Edwardian Era to the early 1920s in *Dressing the Abbey*.™ This special exhibition showcases 35 costumes from the iconic wardrobe of *Downton Abbey*™, one of the most widely watched television dramas in the world.



In the 1920s, the world experienced a massive shift in society and culture, including revolutionary changes in women's fashion. Women's haircuts became shorter, skirts were made slimmer, and boyish figures that minimized the female form were en vogue. Women abandoned corsets in favor of styles that gave them freedom of movement. Shorter, more practical dresses allowed flapper girls to dance the night away.



The Museum will have objects on display from its own collection in two additional galleries: *Dressing Mobile: 1920s Fashion in the Port City*; and *Setting the Table*, a hands-on exhibition featuring formal table settings, menus, tea customs, and more! On display at the History Museum of Mobile from January 28 through April 22, 2023.



This exhibition is most suitable for middle and high school students and supports the following Alabama Course of Study Content Standards.

6TH GRADE SOCIAL STUDIES

- 4) Identify cultural and economic developments in the United States from 1900 through the 1930s.

9TH GRADE SOCIAL STUDIES

- 12) Explain causes and consequences of World War I, including imperialism, militarism, nationalism, and the alliance system.
- 13) Explain challenges of the post-World War I period.



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HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday - Saturday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm | Sunday 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

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