



The Museum of Early Trades & Crafts

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Museum of Early Trades & Crafts Presents Smithsonian Poster Exhibition Highlighting the History of Migration in the United States

Madison, NJ – The Museum of Early Trades & Crafts (METC) is collaborating with The Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service (SITES) to present “Journey Stories,” a set of seven posters designed to encourage dialogue and engagement on how movement has defined America. America, and its history, is a patchwork of many tales which have been woven over time from the voyages of people—both voluntary and involuntary—who traveled from city-to-city, state-to-state and around the world to find new opportunities. Whether by air, land or sea, travel has played a crucial part in our economic and cultural identities.

“Journey Stories” explores how movement has shaped our nation’s history. This set of educational posters takes a broad look at American expansion and migration, from the earliest European settlers and Native American displacement to the effects of transportation advancements on modern mobility.

With objects from METC'S permanent collection, we invite you to explore “Journey Stories” through a New Jersey lens and discover more of your own journey story from April 1 through October 31, 2023.

Museum entry is by voluntary donation while the Lower Level of the Museum is closed for construction.

Journey Stories is organized by the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service through a partnership with Teaching Tolerance.

SITES has been sharing the wealth of Smithsonian collections and research programs with millions of people outside Washington, D.C., for 65 years. SITES connects Americans to their shared cultural heritage through a wide range of exhibitions about art, science and history, which are shown wherever people live, work and play.

Founded in 1991 by the Southern Poverty Law Center, Teaching Tolerance is dedicated to reducing prejudice, improving intergroup relations and supporting equitable school experiences for our nation's children.

About The Museum of Early Trades & Crafts

Explore American history with a focus on the life and stories of 18th- and 19th- century craftsmen and artisans. Drawing on its rich collection, METC is connecting the lives of people and their stories, while providing a bridge from the past to the future. Housed in a stunning Richardsonian Romanesque Revival building donated by D. Willis James to the people of Madison, NJ in 1900, METC offers something for visitors of all ages. Regular METC admission is \$5.00 for adults, \$3.00 for seniors, students & children 6 and older, and free for members and

children under 6. Family maximum admission \$15.00. METC is open Tuesday – Saturday 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. and Sunday Noon to 5 P.M. Closed Monday & Major Holidays.

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