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Birmingham Museum Launches Birmingham Uncovered Podcast

BIRMINGHAM, MI, May 9, 2023 — The Birmingham Museum has announced the launch of a podcast, entitled, "Birmingham Uncovered," available via app, on the city's website and the museum's YouTube channel. The platform is the latest among many creative outlets the Birmingham Museum utilizes to connect the community with their roots and uncover the stories of those who once lived in Birmingham.

Each podcast, produced twice per month by Museum Specialist Caitlin Donnelly, will focus on the life of a particular individual from Birmingham's history, and explore their connection to the larger local or national story.

"It's exciting to be able to share Birmingham's history in this new way," said Donnelly. "By exploring big nationwide stories like the Underground Railroad network, the women's suffrage movement, or attitudes toward mental illness in the 1820s through the lives of the people in Birmingham, it makes the history personal."



"Caitlin has a knack for storytelling and a passion for history that make our podcast special," said Birmingham Museum Director, Leslie Pielack. "She has a way with words and zeroes in on what we all might be wondering about the people who inhabited this community in the past. That's an especially engaging way to learn something new about Birmingham and its history."

The equipment for the podcast was made possible by a Public, Educational, and Governmental Services (PEG) grant from the Birmingham Area Cable Board. To delve deeper into Birmingham's history, visit www.bhamgov.org/birminghamuncovered to listen to the podcasts, view a transcript of each podcast, and access historical documents for each episode. These include court records, old newspaper clippings, journal entries, and more. The free podcasts are also available via app and on the Birmingham Museum's YouTube channel at https://www.youtube.com/@thebirminghammuseum7749/podcasts.

The Birmingham Museum is open Tuesday – Saturday from 1 to 4 p.m. Admission is \$7 for adults, \$5 for students and seniors, and children 5 and under and Friends members are free. Questions? Contact the museum at 248-530-1928 or museum@bhamgov.org, or check us out on Facebook (https://www.facebook.com/TheBirminghamMuseum/), Instagram (https://www.instagram.com/birmingham_museum_mi/), or Twitter (https://twitter.com/bham_museum). More video content on our current exhibit, lectures on historic Birmingham, and educational video shorts for adults and children can be found on our YouTube channel. Want to know more about us? Check us out at www.bhamgov.org/museum. Or contact us by phone at 248-530-1928.