

The Nevada Historical Society (NHS) is the oldest cultural institution in the state of Nevada. It was created back in 1904 with newspaper publisher Robert Fulton as president and Jeanne Elizabeth Wier as executive secretary.

Wier would become chairman of the Department of History and Political Science at the University of Nevada and Director of the NHS until her death in 1950.

Wier was the driving force behind the organization and collected materials of importance to Nevada's history — newspapers, manuscripts, photographs, maps, books and artifacts. Wier kept the collection in her home until the first permanent NHS facility opened on University Avenue in 1913.

Nevada Historical Society

1650 North Virginia Street

Reno, Nevada 89503

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<http://nvhistoricalsociety.org>

Museum & Store—Tuesday—Saturday 10am— 4:30pm

Library—Tuesday—Saturday 12pm - 4pm

For more information, call 775-688-1190.

*The NHS is part of the Department of Tourism & Cultural Affairs,
Division of Museum & History*



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NEVADA HISTORICAL SOCIETY



NHS Artown Guided Tours 2018 Schedule

Wednesday, July 11, 18, 25

10:30 am (1-hour) Reno History Lecture

1:00 pm (1-hour) Nevada Gallery Tour

Reno History Lecture—Research Library

Nevada History Tour—Nevada Gallery

Nevada Historical Society

Museum—Immerse yourself in Nevada's intriguing artifacts that tell the story of the West.

Museum Store—Shop our variety of Nevada books, NHS publications, and unique *made in Nevada* gifts.

Research Library—Access to library, photograph and manuscript collections, the largest and most complete repository of materials related to the history of Nevada and the Great Basin.



Highlights of Nevada Gallery Tour:

Learn about Nevada's past at Nevada's oldest cultural institution, NHS.

Explore the history, artifacts and customs of Native Americans, frontier society, mining and agriculture, daily life, early transportation from walking through Nevada to the first plane in Nevada, and early Las Vegas and slot machines. Learn about federal projects in Nevada like the World War II bases, Fort Churchill, Hoover Dam, & the Nevada Test Site.



Highlights of the Reno Room Tour:



The prohibition, the divorce era, Reno as Sin City, the beginnings of the gaming industry, the history of the Reno Arch and Reno as the biggest town in Nevada from 1887 through 1950.

Visit Nevada's oldest cultural institution and learn about Reno's exciting history through artifacts, photos & docent presentation.

Hear about the early railroad coming to Reno, the mining booms, the first automobiles, making gambling illegal in 1910 and legal again in 1931.



Nevada Historical Society Programs & Events

The programs are free to members of the seven Nevada State Museums. Admission fee is \$5 for adults and free for children under 18 years old.

High Noon - Shootout with Neal Cobb, offered every third Thursday at noon, features a video or a Nevada filmed movie with host Neal Cobb introducing and leading a discussion on the topic.

Lecture and Docent Council Meeting, every first Wednesday at 10:30 am, September through June, with a speaker lecturing on a Nevada history topic.

Writers' Wednesdays, every second Wednesday at 5:00pm, book signing and lecture, featuring a local author on their latest book.

AGA Gambling Lecture—Fireside Chat, interesting chats on Nevada Gambling and Gaming topics from local experts.

Changing Gallery Exhibit, new exhibits are rotated annual in the large central hallway. The opening galas includes a wine and cheese reception.

Nevada Day Event, come and celebrate Nevada's birthday at the NHS.