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Calendar:

- EC200 website: www.erie.gov/ec200

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Erie County Bicentennial website. The header is dark blue with the Erie County Bicentennial logo on the left and navigation links for 'Contact' and 'Home' on the right. Below the header are social media icons for Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook. A welcome message states: "Welcome to the EC200 website. This page will be updated frequently with new events, programming, and information throughout the commemoration." A quote from Erie County Executive Mark Poloncarz follows: "At times in our history it is important to pause and reflect on where we've been, the challenges and successes we've had, and the path that has brought us to this point in time. Erie County's rich, vibrant and bustling history will be spotlighted and celebrated throughout our bicentennial year as EC200 gives us all the opportunity to become better acquainted with the men and women who shaped our county into what it is today. Having this historical perspective makes us better-prepared to understand our role and responsibility in continuing Erie County's growth for the next 200 years" - Erie County Executive Mark Poloncarz.

The main content area features six grid items, each with a title, a brief description, and a 'Learn More' button:

- Erie County Heritage Passport**: Discover Erie County's museums, historical sites, and more!
- visit Buffalo**: Events and Programming. Find upcoming events, speakers, and programs here!
- Erie County Government**: Find how out how Erie County works for you!
- Welcome**: Learn about EC200, Planning Background and Commemoration.
- Be EC200**: Learn More, Find Marketing Resources, Send Questions, and Request EC200 Materials.
- Historic Aerial Photos**: View Erie County aerial photography and maps.

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May 14th

Wegmans, Dash's, Consumers



1.) Concordia Cemetery:



Festival



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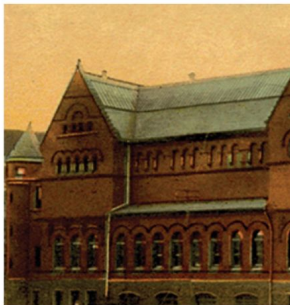
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ERIE COUNTY BICENTENNIAL

FOREST LAWN CEMETERY

First established in 1850, final resting place of President Fillmore, Anna Katherine Green and R&B Legend Rick James.

ERIE.GOV/EC200

Special Collections



Welcome to the Grosvenor Room!

The Grosvenor [pronounced Grov-ner] houses the Special Collections department at the Central Library of the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library (B&ECP). The nearly 500,000 titles of unique and varied materials support the five collections of Local History, Genealogy, Maps, Music and Rare Books. The department name comes from an early library benefactor, Seth Grosvenor (1786-1857), and benefits from the 1953 merger of the Grosvenor Research Library and the Buffalo Public Library collections. [Click here for a timeline of Library history.](#)

Genealogy



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Local History



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Library Collections

The Research Library is responsible for all two-dimensional items in the Museum's collection, some of which you can explore below.

2D & PAPER COLLECTIONS

Cynthia Van Ness

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Search Our Catalog



The FRANK Library Catalog is the most comprehensive tool to search for resources and collections, including those not available online, within the Museum's Research Library.

You can also explore an array of digital collections and projects from the Research Library below.

The Research Library is advance appointments exclusively until further notice. Prepare for virtual appointment by reviewing our [PLANNING YOUR LIBRARY VISIT](#) slideshow.

Looking to explore our [OBITUARY INDEX](#)? Review our [USING OUR OBITUARY INDEX](#) guide in advance of your research.

Events

Join us for some of our upcoming programs and events!

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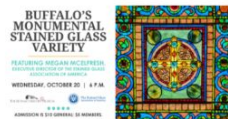
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Upcoming Events

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 10/20

Buffalo's Monumental Stained Glass Variety

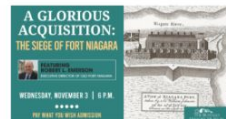
Megan McElfresh, Executive Director of the Stained Glass Association of America will join us to disc...



 10/27

The Body Electric: Songs about the Electric Chair

In the age of electricity, a chair was born from the mind of a Buffalo dentist, Alfred P. Southwick,...



 11/03

A Glorious Acquisition: The Siege of Fort Niagara

Executive Director of Old Fort Niagara, Robert L. Emerson, recounts the 19-day siege of Fort Niagara...



Education & Tours

Explore resources for teachers, field trips, programs, community outreach, lectures, tours, and more.

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For Educators



We are a leading resource on Buffalo and Erie County history with a number of educational tours, programs, activities, and other outreach available for teachers, community centers, senior centers, and more.

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A HISTORY OF ERIE COUNTY

CONTINUUM

COMING SOON



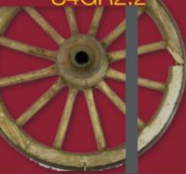


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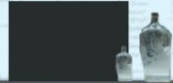
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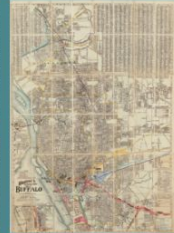
APEX & INEQUITY

1944 - 1959

By the late 1940s, the industrial complex had become a major center of production and employment. The building's design reflected the needs of a large-scale manufacturing operation, with multiple levels and a complex internal structure. The model shows the intricate details of the building's architecture, including the central courtyard and the surrounding infrastructure.



World War Women
During World War II, women played a crucial role in the war effort, working in factories and other industrial settings. Their contributions were essential to the production of war materials and the support of the military. The photograph shows a woman working in a factory, likely during this period.



Industrial Site
The industrial site was a major center of production and employment. The building's design reflected the needs of a large-scale manufacturing operation, with multiple levels and a complex internal structure. The model shows the intricate details of the building's architecture, including the central courtyard and the surrounding infrastructure.



RESURGENCE

1991 - 2020

The path to the region's renewal was intertwined with its past. An account of the renewal journey, from County's earliest settlement patterns to high-tech innovation, all the way to the present, is told through the lens of the region's most iconic architectural icon: the Canal Side building. Looking to the present to show forward-looking ideas, these illustrations reveal a vision of the building for the world to come. The canopy just proved to be the last to be replaced.

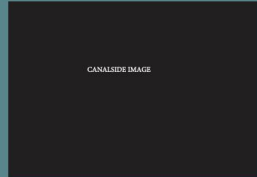
The renewal has moved from progress throughout the years. Values have evolved, the world has changed, and the region's architectural path. The renewal is a journey that is constantly evolving, and the path is still being paved.

As the building's history unfolds, the story has also changed. The building is not just a building, but a place where the world's most innovative minds meet. The building is a place where the world's most innovative minds meet.

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This is the vision of the County's renewal and the path to bring about a new era of growth.



Making WNY Home

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Innovation

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Buffalo Niagara Medical Campus

Tek "CapSentry 2"

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Adversity

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Optimism

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Preservation

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Mastodon Bone
Weighing as much as one ton, mandibles were used to make spears. The first known mastodon bone found in New York is 100,000 years old. The first mastodon bone found in New York is 100,000 years old. The first mastodon bone found in New York is 100,000 years old. The first mastodon bone found in New York is 100,000 years old.



Mastodon Bone with augmented reality trigger



Augmented Reality:



Passport Program:

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OCT 6, 2021

The NFL's Tonawanda Kardex

For a brief time, one game actually, Buffalo's suburb of Tonawanda was home to an NFL franchise-- the league's shortest lived team.

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SEP 15, 2021

The 1866 Fenian Invasion of Canada

In an attempt to rid their homeland of British control, an army of Irish-Americans launch an attack from Buffalo into Canada during the spring of 1866. Please rate, review, and subscribe anywhere you listen. For more information about the Buffalo History Museum, visit www.buffalohistory.org. Also, b...

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JUL 21, 2021

The Rise & Fall of the Buffalo Braves

Between 1970 and 1978, the Buffalo Braves brought NBA excitement to Western New York. Led by former league MVP Bob McAdoo, the team earned three playoff appearances in eight years, but ownership issues plagued the franchise. The team left Buffalo following the 1977-78 season, moving...

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JUL 6, 2021

The 1908 New York to Paris Race, Part II

In 1908, teams from four countries competed in the most trying automobile endurance race to date. In the end, it was Western New York's own George Schuster crossing the finish line first in a Buffalo-made E.R. Thomas car.

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**Erie County
Heritage Passport**



Passport Program:

Tonawanda-Kenmore Historical Society

105 Knoche Road, Tonawanda, NY 14150



Open: TBD, Check website

ITEMS OF INTEREST:

- Society is reorganizing. Please check website for information.

For more information:
www.kentonhistory.org



Did you know? Kenmore is known as "Buffalo's First Suburb".

Aurora Historical Society Aurora History Museum

575 Oakwood Avenue, East Aurora, NY 14052



Exhibits Open Monday - Friday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
Historian's Office Open: Wednesday & Thursday
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm & by appointment

ITEMS OF INTEREST:

- General History of the Town of Aurora and Village of East Aurora
- Artifacts from Native Americans, earliest settlers, and industry
- 16 murals by artist Rix Hennings featuring a chronological history of the town
- Office of the Aurora Town Historian historian@townofaurora.com

For more information:
www.townofaurora.com/departments/historian, (716) 652-7944

Did you know? The Adams family were the first settlers to spend a winter in East Aurora in 1804. The family farm still stands on Olean Road.



Passport Program:

Grand Island Historical Society/River Lea

Beaver Island State Park, 2136 W. Oakfield Road,
Grand Island, New York 14072



Open Hours \$ (Admission to State Park)
April - September, First Wednesday 4:30-7:30 pm
April, May, September, Third Sunday 1:00-3:00 pm

ITEMS OF INTEREST:

- Yard Sale Fundraiser, May 21 & 22, 9:00 am-3:00 pm, Museum will be open
- Much of Beaver Island State Park was once part of Lewis F. Allen's progressive, experimental Allenton Farm
- River Lea c1873 was a wedding gift from Lewis Allen to his son and bride
- River Lea was saved from demolition by the Grand Island Historical Society

For more information:

www.gihistoricalsociety.org

Did you know? Grover Cleveland worked for his uncle, Lewis F. Allen, on the Allenton Farm.



Depew Historian Office

Office on second floor of the Village Hall,
85 Manitou Street, Depew, NY 14043



Open:
By appointment only
Village Hall open 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

ITEMS OF INTEREST:

- Various documents and papers of historical significance
- Photographs
- Artifacts

For more information:

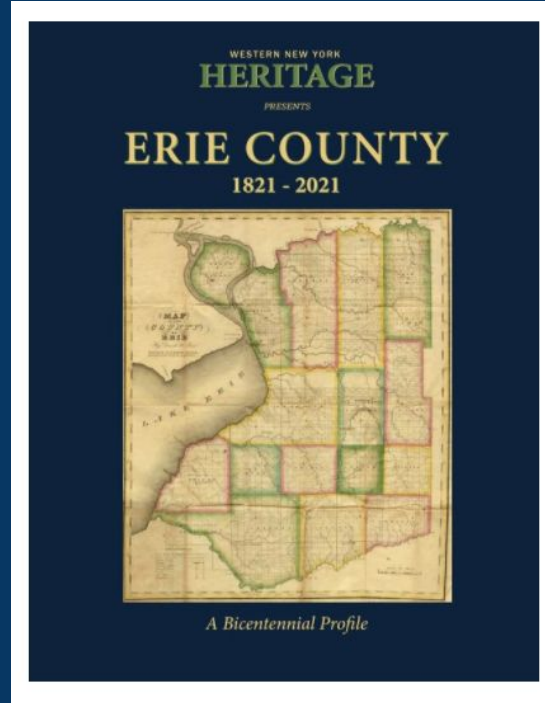
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Did you know? The Village of Depew straddles two townships — Lancaster on the east and Cheektowaga on the west.



Western New York Heritage Magazine:

- County history overview
- Town profiles



Down the Road...Erie Canal Bicentennial



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