

Yesterday's Tomorrows Creative Ideas for Programming

Following are some creative program ideas developed by museums that have hosted *Yesterday's Tomorrows: Past Visions of the American Future*. Contact names and phone numbers are included so that they can be contacted for further details about their program.

- Teen task force meeting with local town and country planners to discuss growth issues in their community. Leelanau Historical Museum, Leland, MI Laura Quackenbush, 231.256.7475, leemuse@traverse.com
- Junior League sponsored art festival: "What will our county look like in 100 years?" Polk County Historical Society. Cedartown, GA, Louise Parker, 770.749.0073
- Costumed concert of music from each decade of the 20th century performed by a local elementary school. Carrollton Parks, Recreation and cultural Arts Department, Carrollton, GA, Cathy James, 770.832.1161
- "Space Car Derby" for children to design and race model cars of the future. Audrain County Historical Society, Mexico, MO, Cathy Adams, 573.581.3910, achs@swbell.net
- "Robots on Parade" for 6th to 12th graders to design robots that are installed in local businesses around the city. Bootheel Youth Museum, Malden, MO, Patsy Reublin, 573.276.3600, bymstaff@sheltonbbs.com
- Second grade class built models of what the town square will look like in 100 years and the models will be installed with historic photos documenting what the town square looked like 100 years ago. Audrain County Historical Society, Mexico, MO, Cathy Adams, 573.581.3910, achs@swbell.net
- Youth museum and the Students and Seniors program at the local school produced Videographies of seniors remembering what life was like when they were teenagers and what they thought life would be like in 2000; school children will talk about what they think life will be like for them in 50 years. The video loop will be installed as part of *Yesterday's Tomorrows* and a town time capsule. Bootheel Youth Museum, Malden, MO, Patsy Reublin, 573.276.3600, bymstaff@sheltonbbs.com
- Local theater to host 24-hour Star Trek marathon (admission price is donated to the local historical society.) Greenville Area Community Center, Greenville, MI, Shirley Hayes, 616.754.9163. grnvcc@pathwaynet.com
- Essay competition, art contest, and design-a-plane competition all sponsored by local business so that winners get a \$500 savings bond. Tecumseh Area Historical Society, Tecumseh, MI, William Pemberton, 517.423.1962, pemberton@ervinleasing.com
- City Forum, with invited guests to include city officials, to discuss "How do we get the future we hope for in our town?" Tecumseh Area Historical Society, Tecumseh, MI, William Pemberton, 517.423.1962, pemberton@ervinleasing.com

- Mayor and invited residents to submit a sequence of articles to a local paper, "Letters for a Time Capsule." Presque Isle County Historical Museum, Rogers City, MI Tom Halloron, 517.734.4121
- Fashion Show, "Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow", As a fundraiser for the museum. Presque Isle County Historical Museum, Rogers City, MI Tom Halloron, 517.734.4121
- Black-tie Gala to open *Yesterday's Tomorrows* including costumed docents from various periods in the 20th century, high school jazz band, ribbon cutting and a toast to the future. Greenville Area Community Center, Greenville, MI, Shirley Hayes, 616.754.9163. grnvicc@pathwaynet.com