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SCALED TO PERFECTION GALA CELEBRATION

April 30th to May 2nd

Three-day passes and day tickets available.

EXHIBIT: CORSETS, CROQUET, AND CRUSADES NOW ON DISPLAY.



THE VIEW FROM SECOND AND SUTTON

It's finally spring and our Museum Center and the bulbs in our yard are in full bloom on Sutton Street. We have just completed a wonderful winter season of exhibits with our guests and members enjoying the many aspects of our Kentucky Gateway Museum Center. We continue to welcome visitors from around the world and on a recent March Saturday we had visitors from Brazil, Australia, Ireland and four states outside of Kentucky! We continue to grow in the number of visitors and student outreach opportunities for our educational programs. It's going to be an exciting spring and summer of new exhibits, seminars and special museum events.

We celebrated during March our Charter and the 1878 founding of the museum with the Charter Celebration, Dinner and Program. We appreciate the support of our members, donations from our patrons toward our endowment program, and the encouragement expressed to our staff by our members. Thank you for celebrating with us the history of our Charter and for being a part of our growth and outreach to the community.

We are excited to welcome miniature artisans to the Museum Center on April 30, May 1 and 2 for the **KSB Miniatures Scaled to Perfection Gala**. This special event will showcase artisans creating new miniatures with guests being able to view the process in the both the KSB Miniatures Gallery and the Calvert Gallery. Members and visitors that would like to attend the Gala need to register in advance as space is limited. Call the Museum Center or

Louis XV Microscope
Wm. R. Robertson



check the ksbminiaturescollection.com for additional Gala information. Special ticket opportunities are available for both the full three-day program of events or day passes for Museum members. It is our hope that all who have wondered how these miniatures are made will... Come and See! There will be opportunities to converse with the artisans and enjoy the new displays in the Calvert Gallery. **The KSB Scaled to Perfection Gallery of New Miniatures** closes at the end of May. Don't delay a visit to see this exciting collection of miniatures and join us at the **Gala on April 30, May 1 and 2**.

The new Spring exhibit in the **Wormald Gallery** features many items from our Museum Collection displayed in **Corsets, Croquet and Crusades: The Fashion and Fight for Women's Rights**. This special KYGMC produced exhibit celebrates the 100th year anniversary of women's right to vote in the United States. The exhibit features many beautiful dresses and accessories along with writings of the period. Learn the story of Germantown, Kentucky's Alice Lloyd who along with 325 members of the Mason County Woman's Suffrage League were

strong supporters of the 1919 bill passed by Congress to give women the right to vote.



Clay Hedgecock

Cay Chamness, one of our Research Librarians, has once again produced an exciting season of **Museum Seminars** with the second seminar for 2019 set for Saturday April 20 featuring the topic **Restoring Historic Property** with **Clay Hedgecock**. The May Seminar will be a benefit opportunity for the Research Library as KYGMC presents **January Outing in May** on Saturday May 18. This benefit will include tours of the **January-Cochran House** on West Third Street, **Museum Galleries**, **Presbyterian Church**, **the Old Court House** along with lunch and tour stops to related historical sites. Proceeds from the afternoon outing will benefit the **Research Library**.

Save the date of May 18 for a special day of learning, discussing and supporting the Library!

The Old Pogue Experience continues to add to the collection of historical Maysville bourbon related items along with additional sale merchandise in the **Still Room Bourbon Emporium**. Additional signage has been added to our displays to enhance the visit to the Limestone Building.

It's been a great winter, a fun Charter Month of March celebrating our museum history, and now it's time to enjoy the spring and summer events at the Museum Center. Thanks to our members and patrons for your continued contributions in helping grow our attendance and services to our community. We hope to see you this month at the Museum!

Thank you for being a member!

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Restoring Historic Property
with *Clay Hedgecock*

Saturday, April 20
10:30am

Compliments of John Sims, Jr.
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MINIATURES CORNER

By Kaye Browning

If you have ever wondered how miniatures are made, you won't want to miss the *Scaled to Perfection* Gala Celebration April 30th to May 2nd. The KSB Miniatures Collection is welcoming 20 artisans from four countries and every corner of the United States who will be demonstrating their unique talents. Meet the makers of some of the finest miniatures in the gallery who will be sharing their secrets and skills to working in fine scale.

Many of you have told me that one of your favorite exhibits is the *Tanzanian Wildlife Refuge*, so here's your chance



to talk with those who created it. Kerri Pajutee (masterful animals), Beth Freeman-Kane (colorful birds), and Carey Seven (artistic scenery), will all be here to answer questions. In fact, Beth came all the way from South Africa. Master silversmith Jens Torp from England will also be demonstrating and Nell Corkin, who works in the smallest of small, 1/144th scale, will be showing how she adds depth to her tiny structures.



creating life-like miniatures of you and your family! Visit their website at www.holodeck3dstudios.com for ideas of what you can do. (Scans are complimentary, figures must be purchased.) For a full list of artisan demonstrators, visit ksbminiaturescollection.com.

Another fun activity will be from Holodeck 3D Studios, who will be providing complimentary 3D scans of you and your family, which can then be custom scaled and 3D printed. Imagine

This three-day event is filled with opportunities to see the miniatures up close, learn how they are made, socialize with miniaturists and other museum members and to simply have fun in our beautiful Bluegrass State during one of our most spectacular

seasons. One of the events is a walking tour of Maysville guided by John Klee. Other possible tours on Thursday after closing include historic sites covering a three-county area and a tour of [Claiborne](#)

[Horse Farm](#), where world famous *Secretariat* is laid to rest. Tickets are available for the entire event which include entrance to the galleries, including our new Old Pogue Bourbon Experience, miniatures

demonstrations, entertainment and some meals (\$150) or we have individual day pricing to visit the galleries and watch the demonstrators only (\$35). No food or entertainment are included with the day rates.

Tuesday April 30th

Doors open at 10 am. Silent auction begins. Artisan demonstrations from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm and 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm. Lunch will be provided. Gala celebration begins at 5:30 pm. Includes heavy hors d'oeuvres and one drink ticket. Cash bar will also be available. Choose from a variety of Maysville locations for dinner (on



your own) if desired.

Wednesday May 1st

Artisan demonstrations from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm and 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm. (lunch on your own). Dinner includes your choice of three entrees from D & D Catering. Dinner begins at 6 pm followed by Kelly Brengelman's performance *Madeline McDowell Breckinridge: Votes for Women!* * at 7:30 pm. Cash bar.

Thursday May 2nd

Complimentary breakfast 9 am to 10 am. Cash bar for mimosas and Bloody Marys. Silent Auction winners will be announced at 11 am. Gala concludes at noon. Tours on your own following closing. Sign-up sheets will be at the opening registration.

There has never been a better time to visit the KSB Miniatures Collection than these three days. Miniaturists from around the globe will be arriving in Maysville to see our world-class miniatures and I am more than proud to introduce them to our wonderful town and neighboring areas and to all our museum has to offer. I hope you will join me! Register by downloading the form at ksbminiaturescollection.com/scaled-to-perfection or call Tandy Nash at 606.564.5865.

MARLA'S MUSINGS

By Marla Toncray

We all know Simon Kenton is considered the "father" of Mason County. We have all heard of his exploits in fighting the Indians that protected the Ohio River Valley and his search for the "canelands" of Kentucky.

If you are familiar with our county's history, you know he planted the first crop of corn in Mason County in 1775 and then retreated from the area for nearly 10 years due to the American Revolutionary War.

When he returned to Limestone around 1784, he moved forward with a plan that had been formulating in his mind since his first visit to the area: he built his blockhouse at the mouth of Limestone Creek to provide shelter and safety to the settlers moving into the region.

This blockhouse provided a vantage point for Kenton and his scouts to keep an eye on Indian activity, which continued to plague the region until 1794, when the Treaty of Greenville ended the Twenty-Year war with the Indians.

During 1785, 20 families moved into "Kenton's Station," just west of Washington, and within five more years, Washington would have 119 log cabins.

From 1784 - 1794, Kenton claimed thousands of acres of land in Mason County, making him land rich. He shared his wealth with those wishing to make Limestone and Washington their permanent home. He wasn't an astute businessman and many times his generosity caused him to end up in debt, or without his share of the crops harvested. But that didn't keep him from helping those who had made the choice, just as he had, to stake a claim in this wilderness.

He gave his family members in Virginia tracts of land so they would relocate to the area and he would once again have family around him. He married his first and second wives in Mason County.

He sold plots of land to other settlers, not so much for the money but for the pride that came in having once held such large tracts of

his diligence, passage down the Ohio was safer and settlements in this region, especially Limestone began to thrive.

Although he wanted to see the area settled, in the end it became a direct conflict for his own desire to live a life away from populated areas.

In the book *Frontier Hero* by Shannon Gast, James Finely, son of the Reverend Robert Finley who ministered in Washington, wrote of Simon Kenton:

"That truly great adventurer was truly the master spirit of the time in that region of the country. He was looked upon by all as the great defender of the inhabitants, always on the alert, and ready to fly at a moment's warning to the place of danger for the protection of the scattered families in the wilderness... He was regarded as the prince of pioneers in this region of the country and he was the teacher and captain of all the young boys in those parts."



This 20" bronze of Simon Kenton with a long rifle on a wood base was created by Earl Lanning in 1990 and inscribed on the base is "Sound in the Wilderness" with the name-

plate on the wood base that reads "Simon Kenton, The Frontiersman."

This gift was made possible by a long time member who saw this bronze and wanted it to be part of the Museum collection. It is our hope that this gift will enhance our understanding of the role of Simon Kenton's contributions to the early foundations of our community. As with this gift we continue to be indebted to many of you with your donations both in objects and finances to grow our collection.

land.

You see, for Simon Kenton, it was the thrill of the unknown and challenge of beating the odds that drove him to explore the world around him, rather than settle for a life as a common farmer or businessman. He had a deep interest in nature since his earliest years and the call of the frontier continued until he died at the age of 81 in Ohio in 1836.

What Simon Kenton did for Mason County was to serve as a guardian, mentor and host to the settlers arriving each day. Because of


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April 30th - May 2nd



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Additional 2,000 sq. ft. showcasing new acquisitions
Demonstrations by 20 artisans
Tours of Maysville, Kentucky's historic sites

Details & Registration at
www.ksbminiaturescollection.com/scaled-to-perfection



CORSETS, CROQUET AND CRUSADES:

The Fashion & Fight for Women's Rights

Celebrating the 100th anniversary of women's right to vote, this exhibit features clothing and accessories from the period, as well as stories of the daily life of these extraordinary women and their struggle.



SATURDAY SEMINAR

April 20, 2019 at 10:30am

Come hear Clay Hedgecock talk about restoring historic property and his adventures preserving history in downtown Maysville.

Seminars are free and open to the public.



JANUARY OUTING IN MAY

May 18, 2019

Outing includes lunch, the history and tour of the 1838 January-Cochran House (pictured above), The First Presbyterian Church, and a tour of the Courthouse. Additional history and a drive-by tour of related locations will follow.

For reservations call 606-564-5865

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it a memorable evening.



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