



HERITAGE CIRCLE EXPERIENCES

We are excited to share our 2024 Heritage Circle Experiences! Your Heritage Circle Level determines how many experiences you may attend:

Mashapaug: choose 1 | **Yantic, Pachaug:** choose up to 2 | **Natchaug, Shetucket:** choose up to 4 | **Quinebaug:** choose up to 6

All experiences are offered first-come, first-served and require advance registration due to limited space.

Email carly@tlgv.org or call 860-774-3300 to register. Details are subject to change.

	Behind the Scenes Slater Memorial Museum Norwich, CT February 6, 1:30 – 3:30 pm	Since its founding in 1886, Slater Memorial Museum has grown to include a collection of thousands of pieces of art and objects from all over the world. The museum is one of only two museums located on a high school campus in the United States. Join Museum Director Dayne Rugh and his staff for a complimentary behind-the-scenes tour of the museum's vast collections and exhibits.
	Ceremonial Stonework Multiple Locations North Stonington, CT March 23, 1 – 5 pm	This land was shaped by its residents long before the colonists arrived. Author/Photographer Markham Starr and local expert Alton Blodgett will reveal ceremonial stonework created by Native Americans who have occupied the Heritage Corridor for more than 12,000 years. From cairns to stone serpent effigies, we'll learn about their significance with a one-hour slideshow followed by a moderate walk to view actual stonework.
	Hike to the Fish Lift Sprague Land Preserve Franklin/Sprague/Scotland, CT May 18, 10 am – 1 pm (rain 5/19)	Get an inside look at the Scotland Dam's fish lift, managed by FirstLight. Migrating fish rely on this fish lift to provide safe passage along the Shetucket River and the dam is the furthest upstream location of a lift on the river. We'll take an easy three-mile hike (round-trip) through the beautiful Sprague Land Preserve to get to the dam, where FirstLight will treat us to a tour of the fish lift.
	A Life of Service Clara Barton Birthplace Museum Oxford, MA June 13, 1 – 2:30 pm	Clara Barton is one of the most honored women in American history. Known as the "Angel of the Battlefield" for her work tending to wounded troops during the Civil War, she later founded the American Red Cross. Her life of service has been a role model for many. Join Emily Thomas, adjunct history professor at Nichols College, for a complimentary tour of the museum.
	Taste & Tour Westford Hill Distillers Ashford, CT July 25, 4 – 6 pm (21+ only)	Westford Hill Distillers, founded in 1998, was one of the first craft distillers in the U.S. and the first maker of eau-de-vie on the east coast. Set on 200 beautiful acres stewarded by the Chatey Family since 1919, the distillery produces a range of artisan spirits including vodka, gin, rum and whisky. We invite you to join Margaret & Louis Chatey for a tour and tasting. One tasting included per person, compliments of the Chateys.
	Maude's Grave Pachaug State Forest Voluntown, CT November 16, 10 am – 1 pm	Maude's Grave is a place of myth. Legends have long obscured the true story of Maude's life and the place of her burial. Join Author & Folklorist Stephen Gencarella and Rediscovering History's Michael Carroll as we work to untangle the truth from the legends. This walk will be through untrailed forest; while not long in distance, it will be rugged. Much of the program will require standing.