

Portage Area Museums Present:

2019 July Speaker Series

The Fur Trade

at the Historic Indian Agency House

This July, the museums of Portage, Wisconsin, are excited to offer a truly exceptional array of speakers for our free Wednesday evening speaker series. Come to the Historic Indian Agency House at **6:30 pm** starting July 10 and immerse yourself in this year's theme: **Wisconsin's Fur Trade**.

7/10 | Peter Shrake

For nearly 20 years, the American Fur Company—the juggernaut of the fur trade and one of the country's first great commercial monopolies—maintained a store and warehouse yards away from the Fort Winnebago Indian Agency. Find out more from local author and historian Peter Shrake.

7/17 | Janice Rice

Janice Rice, Ho-Chunk tribal member, will share values and cultural perspectives that shaped the Ho-Chunk encounters with the people of the fur trade. She combines her career as an Emerita Academic Librarian with her cultural upbringing to shed light upon this era in Ho-Chunk history.

7/24 | Herman Bender

The early fur trade in Wisconsin was the product of unique geopolitical forces. Learn what made Wisconsin a leader in the fur trade from an internationally recognized scholar.

7/31 | Ryan Howell

Discover the archaeological story of Portage and the fur trade through the perspective of an accomplished archaeologist. Hear about previously unreported dig information and exciting plans for the future.



Bring the whole family. **You won't want to miss it!**

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