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Oberlin Heritage Center Offers Docent Training Workshop

The Oberlin Heritage Center will offer an introductory training workshop for volunteers interested in becoming docents for its historic sites tours and special events. The workshop will be offered in two morning sessions (10 a.m. – Noon) taking place on **Saturdays, February 20 and 27**. The first session will feature the 1866 Monroe House, while the second focuses on the 1836 Little Red Schoolhouse and the 1884 Jewett House. Together these three beautifully preserved historic buildings serve as backdrop for stories of the community and college in its first century, from the 1833 founding through the turn of the 20th century. The training is free and open to the public. Volunteers are asked to attend both sessions if new to being an OHC docent; volunteers already serving as docents who wish to refresh their learning may attend either or both training sessions.

Prospective docents may wish to take part in a guided “Upstairs/Downstairs: Small Town/Big Stories” tour of the Oberlin Heritage Center at some time prior to the training to see what is involved in presenting the 75-minute tour. Complimentary tour tickets are provided to those considering docent training. Contact Amanda Manahan, Museum Education and Tour Coordinator at (440) 774-1700 or tourinfo@oberlinheritage.org to make a free reservation to experience the tour offered Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

Enrollment for the workshop is limited; advance registration is requested by February 15. The training begins at the Heritage Center’s Monroe House, located at 73½ South Professor Street, in the back of the Conservatory of Music parking lot, behind the Kohl Jazz building. Parking is available adjacent to 20 West Vine Street. All OHC docents are asked to make a commitment of helping with at least four tours or open house events per year as part of the Oberlin Heritage Center’s volunteer program. For more information, or to reserve your place, visit www.oberlinheritagecenter.org or call (440) 774-1700.

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