

# MUSEUM OF ALABAMA

AT THE ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES & HISTORY

## Guide for Teachers & School Groups

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- All-New Tours
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- Traveling Backpacks & ArchiTrunks
- Resources for Teachers

2014-15

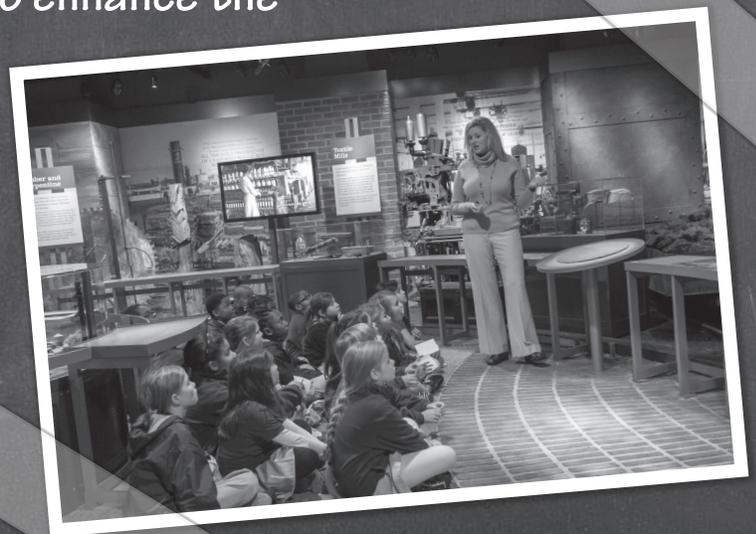


# WELCOME TO THE MUSEUM OF ALABAMA!

Featuring  
All-New  
Exhibits!

The Museum of Alabama, located at the Alabama Department of Archives & History in Montgomery, is the only destination where you can explore Alabama's story from prehistory to the present. Every year, we welcome thousands of Alabama students to learn about the people & events that have shaped our state's past. All-new & revised **FREE** school tours will debut for the 2014-15 season, offering customizable experiences for students & teachers. We continue to offer Traveling Backpacks, ArchiTrunks, & other great Alabama history resources to enhance the learning experience for students in your classroom.

FIND YOUR STORY AT THE  
HOME OF ALABAMA HISTORY!



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# Tour Options At-A-Glance

FALL/WINTER (SEPTEMBER – FEBRUARY): **All Tours Are FREE!**

**90-Minute Tours (By popular demand!):**

## **Alabama Moments in American History - NEW!**

Learn about ideas, events, & people from Alabama that helped shape key moments in American history.

## **Museum Explorer - NEW!**

A comprehensive overview of Alabama history through an exhibit-based tour of the Museum of Alabama.

**60-Minute Tours:**

## **The First Alabamians - NEW FORMAT!**

Explore the story of Native Americans, the first Alabamians, who have made the area of Alabama their home for thousands of years.

## **Civil War - NEW!**

Focus on the conflict that transformed all parts of Alabama society .

## **Then & Now: Famous Faces - NEW FORMAT!**

Learn about Alabamians who have worked, struggled, & overcome obstacles to perform everyday tasks & accomplish great feats.

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SPRING (MARCH – MAY):

**60-Minute Tour:**

## **Marching Toward Freedom - NEW!**

Explore the struggles & triumphs of Alabamians seeking civil rights from statehood to the modern era.

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YEAR ROUND (SEPTEMBER – MAY):

**60-Minute Tour:**

## **Alabama History Highlights - ALWAYS A FAVORITE!**

Alabama's history is the story of its people. Journey through Alabama's story in this overview of our state's past. Visit the Education section of [archives.alabama.gov](http://archives.alabama.gov) to book this tour online!

# FALL/WINTER SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER — FEBRUARY

**Wednesday** at 9:00, 10:30, 12:00, & 1:30

Tour	Time*	Group Size
Alabama Moments In American History	90 Minutes	40
Museum Explorer	90 Minutes	40

**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday**  
at 9:00, 10:00, 11:00, 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, & 3:00

Tour	Time*	Group Size
Civil War	60 Minutes	60**
The First Alabamians	60 Minutes	60**
Then & Now: Famous Faces	60 Minutes	60**
Hands-On Time	60 Minutes	30
Alabama History Highlights	60 Minutes	100**



2 \*Tour Time Note: The scheduled time slot includes orientation, exhibit tour, & transition time.  
\*\*Group Size Note: Large groups will be divided into smaller tour units.

# SPRING SCHEDULE

MARCH – MAY

**Monday through Friday**

**at 9:00, 10:00, 11:00, 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, & 3:00**

Tour	Time*	Group Size
Marching Toward Freedom	60 Minutes	40
Alabama History Highlights**	60 Minutes	100***

Have QUESTIONS?  
BOOK a TOUR  
CALL (334) 242-4364  
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\*Tour Time Note: The scheduled time slot includes orientation, exhibit tour, & transition time.

\*\*This tour is also available during the Fall/Winter on all days except Wednesday.

\*\*\*Tour Group Size Note: Large groups will be divided into smaller tour units.

# 90-Minute Tour

## Alabama Moments in American History

PERFECT FOR 5TH, 6TH, 10TH, & 11TH GRADE U.S. HISTORY CLASSES!



**Objective:** Students will learn how events & people in Alabama are linked to national history through a discovery activity in the classroom & targeted examination of key events & artifacts in the Alabama Voices exhibit.

**Grade Level/Group Size:** Grades 3 -12, Maximum: 35 students (1 class). Different versions of the tour are available based on grade level.

**Availability:** Fall/Winter Only (September - February)

Wednesdays at 9:00, 10:30, 12:00, & 1:30

**Time:** 90 minutes (includes orientation & transition time)

### Method:

Part 1: Alabama Voices Exhibit 45 minutes

Part 2: Classroom Discovery Activity 25 minutes

### Part 1: Alabama Voices

Explore the following sections of the Alabama Voices exhibit with a guide & learn how Alabamians experienced & influenced national events: Creek War & westward expansion, Civil War, Great Depression/New Deal, WWI & WWII, Civil Rights Movement & the Space Race.

### Part 2: Classroom Discovery Activity

In a classroom setting, students explore links between Alabama & national events using primary source photographs, documents, & other images.

### Social Studies Course of Study Standards:

3rd: #11; 4th: #1, 3-16; 5th: #11-12; 6th: #2, #4-5, 7, 9

7th: #11; 10th: #7-10, 14-15; 11th: #2-8, 10,12,14;

12th: #6 Government, #8 Economics

# 90-Minute Tour

## Museum Explorer

**Objective:** Students will receive a comprehensive overview of Alabama history through an exhibit-based tour of the First Alabamians, Alabama Voices, & other museum exhibits.

**Grade Level/Group Size:** All Grades  
Maximum: 35 students (1 class)

**Availability:** Fall/Winter Only (September - February)  
Wednesdays at 9:00, 10:30, 12:00, & 1:30

**Time:** 90 minutes (includes orientation & transition time)

### Method:

Alabama Voices Exhibit                      75 minutes  
First Alabamians Exhibit

OR

Alabama Voices Exhibit                      75 minutes  
First Alabamians Exhibit  
Alabama Treasures Exhibit\*



### Social Studies Course of Study Standards:

3rd Grade: #8, 11, 13  
4th Grade: #1-16



\*New World War I exhibit opening November 9, 2014.

# 60-Minute Tour

## The First Alabamians

**Objective:** Students will learn about the lifestyles & cultures of the first inhabitants of Alabama through discovery activities & exploration of the First Alabamians & the Alabama Voices exhibits.

**Grade Level/Group Size:** Grades 3 - 5

Maximum: 60 students

**Availability:** Fall/Winter Only (September - February)

Mon, Tues, Thurs, & Fri at 9:00, 10:00, 11:00, 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, & 3:00

**Time:** 60 minutes (includes orientation & transition time)

### Method:

Part 1: Classroom Discovery Activity

25 minutes

Part 2: The First Alabamians exhibit

25 minutes

Part 3: This is Our Land section of Alabama Voices exhibit

### Part 1: Classroom Discovery Activity

#### Hands-On Stations

In this interactive activity, students will grind corn, use a pump drill, decorate pottery, & learn about trade between Native Americans & Europeans through an artifact touch-it table.

### Part 2: The First Alabamians Exhibit

Explore thousands of years of Native American history with a guide through murals, a diorama, & artifacts.

### Part 3: This is Our Land Section of the Alabama Voices Exhibit

Learn about the relationship between Creek Indians, Europeans & Americans & the eventual struggle for the land.

### Social Studies Course of Study Standards:

3rd Grade: #11, 13

4th Grade: #2-3



# 60-Minute Tour

## Civil War

**Objective:** Students will learn how the Civil War affected all aspects of life in Alabama & how Alabamians responded to the war & Reconstruction.



**Grade Level/Group Size:** Grades 3 - 6

Maximum: 60 students

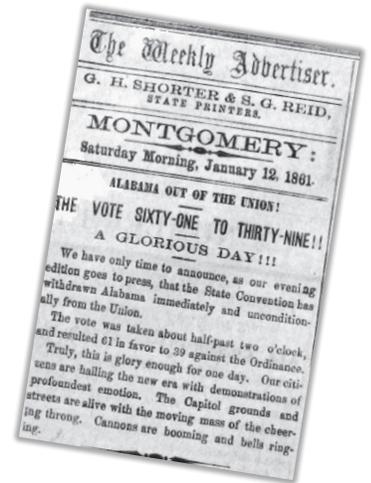
**Availability:** Fall/Winter Only (September - February)

Mon, Tues, Thurs, & Fri at 9:00, 10:00, 11:00, 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, & 3:00

**Time:** 60 minutes (includes orientation & transition time)

### Method:

Part 1: Civil War section of Alabama Voices exhibit	25 minutes
Part 2: Classroom Discovery Activity	25 minutes



### Part 1: Alabama Voices Exhibit

Explore the Civil War section of Alabama Voices from Secession to Reconstruction with a guide. Learn about the experiences of Alabamians during the war through artifacts & museum displays.

### Part 2: Classroom Discovery Activity

#### War's Beginning & End

In a classroom setting, students engage touchable items & voices from primary sources such as letters & newspaper articles. Students will learn how Alabamians' attitudes & experiences on the front lines & at home changed drastically from the beginning of the war to the end.

### Social Studies Course of Study Standards:

3rd Grade: #11

4th Grade: #1, 6-9



# 60-Minute Tour

## Then & Now: Famous Faces

PERFECT FOR YOUNGER STUDENTS!



**Objective:** Students will learn about the people of Alabama's past through discovery activities & a history hunt in the Museum of Alabama's exhibits.

**Grade Level/Group Size:** Grades K - 2, Maximum: 60 students

**Availability:** Fall/Winter Only (September - February)  
Mon, Tues, Thurs, & Fri at 9:00, 10:00, 11:00, 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, & 3:00

**Time:** 60 minutes (includes orientation & transition time)

### Method:

Part 1: Classroom Discovery Activity	15 minutes
Part 2: Hands-On Activity	15 minutes
Part 3: History Hunt	15 minutes

**Part 1:** Classroom Discovery Activity  
Famous Alabamians Dress Up!

Students will dress up like famous Alabamians while learning about their achievements.

**Part 2:** Hands-On Activity

Explore objects from Alabama's past on our Then & Now touch cart.

**Part 3:** History Hunt

Learn more about how Alabamians made a difference in history with a fun history hunt in the Alabama Voices exhibit.

**Social Studies Course of Study Standards:**

K: #1, 11; 1st: #1, 4-5; 2nd: #2-4, 11

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# 60-Minute Tour

## Marching Toward Freedom

**Objective:** Students will learn about the experience of African Americans in Alabama from the introduction of slavery to the modern Civil Rights Movement through the artifacts, images, documents, dioramas, & other displays in the Alabama Voices exhibit.

**Grade Level/Group Size:** Grades 4 - 12

Maximum: 40 students

**Availability:** Spring Only (March - May)

Monday through Friday at 9:00, 10:00, 11:00, 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, & 3:00

**Time:** 60 minutes (includes orientation & transition time)

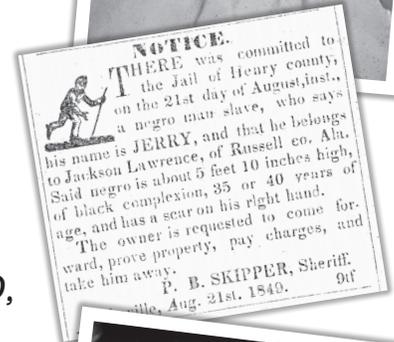
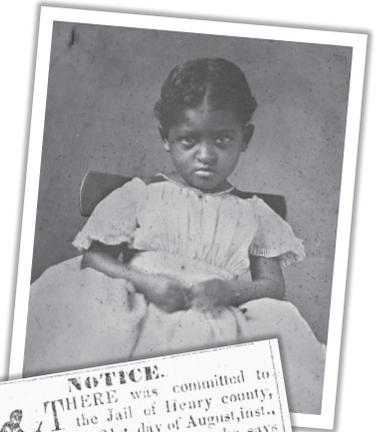
### Method:

Alabama Voices Exhibit

45 Minutes

### Social Studies Course of Study Standards:

4th: #6-7, 9-11, 13-14; 5th: #11-12; 6th: #1-2, 7, 9;  
7th: #11 Civics; 10th: #13-15; 11th: #1-2, 5-6, 10, 14;  
12th: #6 Government



THIS SPRING,  
COMMEMORATE THE 50TH  
ANNIVERSARY OF THE SELMA  
TO MONTGOMERY VOTING  
RIGHTS MARCH WITH THIS  
ALL-NEW TOUR.

# 60-Minute Tour

## Alabama History Highlights

**Objective:** On this always popular tour, students will discover Alabama's story through the artifacts, images, & documents exhibited at the Museum of Alabama.

**Grade Level/Group Size:** All Grades, Maximum: 100 Students

**Availability:** Year Round  
Unavailable on Wednesdays during the Fall/Winter

Fall/Winter (September - February):  
Mon, Tues, Thurs, & Fri at 9:00, 10:00, 11:00,  
12:00, 1:00, 2:00 & 3:00

Spring (March - May):  
Monday through Friday at 9:00, 10:00, 11:00,  
12:00, 1:00, 2:00, & 3:00

**Time:** 60 minutes  
(includes orientation & transition time)

**Method:**  
Alabama Voices Exhibit                      45 Minutes

### Social Studies Course of Study Standards:

3rd Grade: #11, #13

4th Grade: #1 - 16



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# SCHOOL TOUR GUIDELINES

## Cancellations/Late Arrivals:

If you need to cancel or will arrive late for your scheduled tour, call (334) 242-4364 as soon as possible. Reservations are held for 15 minutes.

## Loading Zone/Parking:

Unload & load buses on Bainbridge St. at the corner of Bainbridge & Washington Ave. This is a loading zone ONLY. Park buses & cars in the Alabama Department of Archives & History's free parking lot located directly behind the building on Adams Ave.

## Arrival:

All tour groups should enter the front of the building (Washington Avenue entrance). Docent(s) will meet your group at this entrance. Large groups will be split into smaller tour units.

## Tour Time:

Your scheduled time slot includes orientation, exhibit tour, & transition time. The actual time spent in the museum exhibits will be less than your scheduled time slot. Restroom breaks & late arrivals will decrease the amount of time available in the tour.

## Photographs:

Staff often take photographs of school groups for publicity & promotional purposes. If your group has students who are not permitted to have their photograph taken, please inform the staff upon arrival.

## Restrooms:

Restroom time is NOT included in your tour time. If your group will need to use the restroom, please inform the staff upon arrival.

## Lunch/Snacks:

Food & drink are prohibited inside the museum. We do not have indoor lunch facilities, but we encourage groups to picnic on our front terrace & lawn. Six large picnic tables are available on our terrace.

## Museum Store:

We welcome groups to shop before or after their scheduled tour time. If you would like to visit the Museum Store, please inform our staff upon arrival. A list of affordable items is available in the Education section of [archives.alabama.gov](http://archives.alabama.gov).

**MUSEUM MANNERS**  
For Students & Chaperones

- Use inside voices. You are entering a museum, a working office building, & a research center.
- Walk on the right side of the halls & stairs in single file. Take the stairs one step at a time & hold the hand rail.
- Silence cell phones & other electronics.
- Non-flash photography inside the museum is permitted. Share your photos with us! Use #AlabamaArchives
- Drinks, food, candy, & large bags are prohibited. Leave these items at the reception desk.
- Teachers & chaperones are responsible for their students' behavior & are expected to stay with students at all times.

# OUTREACH

## TREKKING THROUGH HISTORY TRAVELING BACKPACKS

Our traveling backpacks are a great way to engage your students & enhance the classroom learning experience. Backpacks are available on different themes of Alabama history & correspond with *Alabama Course of Study: Social Studies*. Each backpack arrives filled with touch-its, activity sheets, primary sources, games, & multi-media resources.

### Backpack Themes:

- Southeastern Indians
- Archaeology
- Statehood
- Cotton
- Civil War
- Civil Rights
- Flight & Space
- World War I - Coming Soon!



## SOUTHEASTERN INDIAN ARCHITRUNKS

This fun & interactive teaching kit was developed in collaboration with Alabama teachers. It includes artifact reproductions, books, maps, activity sheets, lesson plans, & other multi-media resources to help students learn about the lives, culture, & experience of Southeastern Indians.



Backpacks & ArchiTrunks are available on loan for one week from Friday to Friday. UPS shipping costs apply (\$ 10 for Backpacks & \$ 50 for ArchiTrunks). In-person pick-up & return is FREE. For more info & to reserve your Backpack or ArchiTrunk, visit the Education section of [archives.alabama.gov](http://archives.alabama.gov) & click "Teachers."

# TEACHER RESOURCES:

VISIT THE EDUCATION SECTION OF  
[www.archives.alabama.gov](http://www.archives.alabama.gov)

FOR MORE GREAT ALABAMA HISTORY RESOURCES LIKE THESE:

- Teacher-created Alabama history lesson plans using documents, photographs, & other primary sources.
- History at Home crafts & activities that incorporate historic & seasonal themes.
- Large selection of activities & worksheets to enhance your field trip & the classroom learning experience.
- Sign up for our emails to stay informed about special events, new exhibits & resources, teacher workshops, & more!



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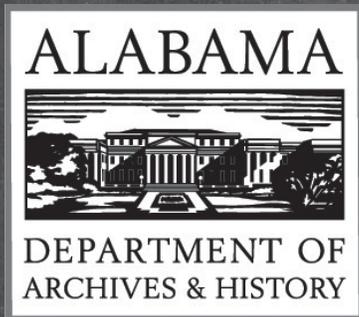
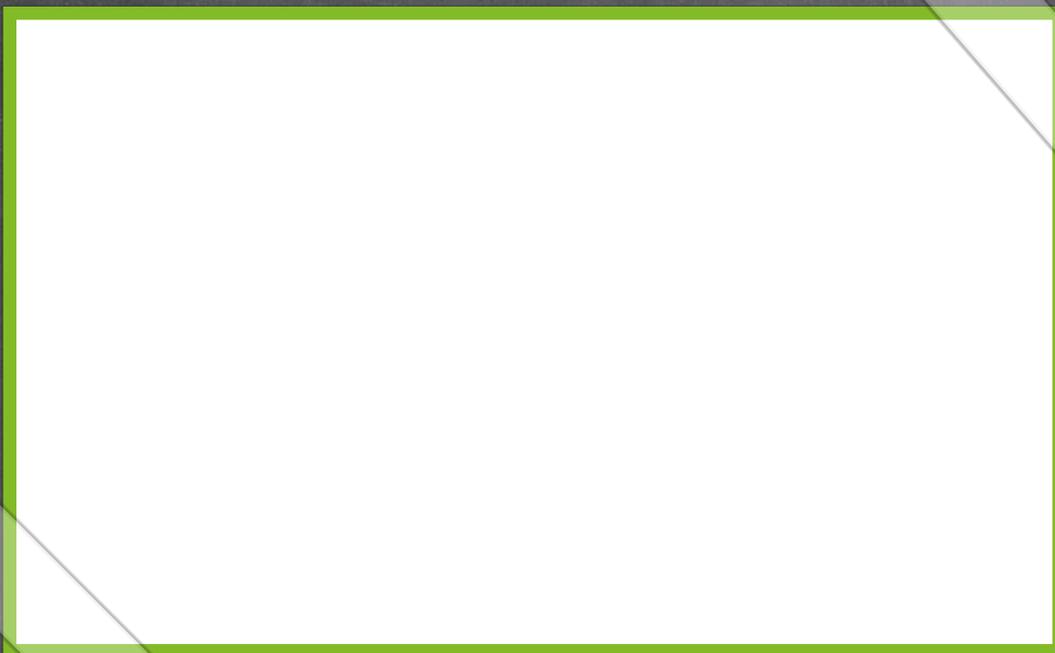
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