



May 2019 Theme Tours

BATTER UP! ROCHESTER'S BASEBALL PIONEERS

Saturday, May 4 at 11:00 AM

Meet: North Gatehouse opposite Robinson Drive

Tour Guides: Tony Brancato & Richard Astifan

The unique history of baseball in Rochester, as told through the lives of early Rochesterians who played the game.

DISCOVER RIVERSIDE CEMETERY: 125 YEARS OF HISTORY

Sunday, May 5 at 1:00 PM

Meet: Entrance to Riverside Cemetery, 2650 Lake Avenue

Tour Guides: Cynthia Howk and Joanne Mitchell

This tour will introduce visitors to Riverside Cemetery, founded in 1892 to serve the growing population in the northern part of the city. We will explore the western half of this 123-acre site that borders the Genesee River and provides a permanent resting place to 75,000 Rochesterians.

NEW: A NATION OF JOINERS: RITUAL, REGALIA AND THE HISTORY OF FRATERNALISM IN AMERICA

Saturday, May 11 at 11:00 AM

Meet: South Entrance, across from The Distillery restaurant

Tour Guide: Dennis Carr

From the early nineteenth through the twentieth century the symbols and emblems of secret societies and benefit organizations appear on monuments in Mount Hope Cemetery. By 1920, half of all Americans belonged to at least one of these fraternal groups. Beginning with the Masonic Lodge we'll explore some of the hundreds of organizations that became important in the lives of Mount Hope's permanent residents.

NEW: TREE WALK -- MOUNT HOPE FENCE LINE

Saturday, May 18 at 11:00 AM

Meet: South Entrance, across from The Distillery restaurant

Tour Guide: Tom Jones

Take a walk with our own tree lover Tom Jones looking for signs of Spring -- the fresh burst of leaf and flower buds. Observe the buds from the showy horse-chestnut and magnolia trees as well as less conspicuous trees like maple and hickory.

THE BIRD WATCHER TOUR

Sunday, May 19 at 8:00 AM

Meet: North Gatehouse opposite Robinson Drive

Tour Guide: Audubon Society and Joanne Mitchell

The early bird catches the worm - Yes, 8 am! Join Genesee Valley Audubon Society members as they seek out migratory birds.

MEMORIAL DAY

Saturday, May 25 at 11:00 AM

Meet: North Gatehouse opposite Robinson Drive

Tour Guide: Dennis Carr

From the Revolution to today, a remembrance of those who gave their last full measure.