Marble Orchard Historic Walking Tours

Custom Tours Arranged by Appointment

Discover the History of Western New York!

Lewiston Council on the Arts (LCA) has been presenting the “Marble Orchard” productions, for over 20 years. The stories are gleaned from history books and personal diaries told by local characters from the mid-1800's, many of them buried in Lewiston’s Village Cemetery, A.K.A. the “Marble Orchard”.

Timothy Henderson plays the part of Lewiston’s most famous abolitionist, Josiah Tryon. He is said to have helped hundreds of runaway slaves find their way to freedom in Canada. Eva Nicklas appears as his legendary sister in law, Sally Tryon, who refused to move into the mansion that her husband built (Tryon’s Folly) thus, leaving it empty for Josiah to use as a ‘safe house’ on the Underground Railroad.

These talented actors take narrating to a whole new level, combining historical fact with local legends that bring the past to life. The stories both educate and entertain audiences who are encouraged to interact with the performers.

Each tour is unique and can be tailored to fit the needs of any group. Don’t miss the opportunity to experience Lewiston’s rich history in a uniquely theatrical way!

Call (716) 754-0166 for information on rates and available dates for this custom walking tour.

What our walkers had to say:

• “Lewiston Council on the Arts were the innovators who helped to build the awareness and benefit of period-dressed storytelling in Niagara. You deserve kudos for not only being the first, but for remaining the very best experience in our area. I consider your efforts the benchmark for quality presentation and we always refer people to your programs.” Peter Green, Center of Renewal Retreat and Conference Center at Stella Niagara

• “I want to personally say thanks for providing the most incredible culturally rich experience that some of my students have ever experienced in their short lives. Some even had tears in their eyes when they had an opportunity to reflect.” - Curtis Birthwright, SELP Coordinator, FDIUR Conference & Freedom Festival

• “You set the bar for professionalism, for entertainment and for quality!” Kathleen Godwin, Arts Youniverse

• “Thank you for a captivating journey into the past.” Lennart Heiskannen, visitor from Sweden

We can also come to YOUR school, library, nursing home or organization’s meeting.

Please call for more information (716) 754-0166

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Integrates NYS Social Studies Standards for Elementary and Intermediate levels.
Field Trip: $5.00/student. Group rates available. Teachers and chaperones tour free!

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