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Fitchburg Historical Society is Looking for Interns to Assist with Museum Work:

Interest in History and Fitchburg’s Immigrant Experience a Plus

(Fitchburg, MA) The Fitchburg Historical Society has received a grant from MassHumanities for a project that gives Fitchburg interns a chance to

Barry’s talk is entitled “Fitchburg’s Unionist and Emancipationist Civil War Collective Memory: 1861 – 1930” and is based on his new research into the unique legacy of the anti-slavery movement in Fitchburg. The city continued to honor its Civil War veterans for many decades. For example, Fitchburg’s Monument Park - containing Martin Milmore’s renowned Civil War monument – was one of America’s first monuments honoring the Civil War. Even forty years after the war, President Teddy Roosevelt visited Fitchburg and in his speech recognized the city’s Civil War veterans.

Speaker Darren Barry is a history teacher at Montachusett Regional High School in Fitchburg. Recently he completed his Master’s thesis titled: “Union and Emancipation – Conflating Revolutionary Heritage with Abolitionist Practice: Civil War Collective Memory in Fitchburg, Massachusetts 1861-1930.” Next spring, a thesis chapter that analyzes the legacy of Fitchburg’s Civil War Soldiers’ Monument will be published in the Historical Journal of Massachusetts.

The Fitchburg Historical Society is located at 781 Main Street, Fitchburg in the historic Phoenix building. There is abundant on-street parking near the Historical Society and free parking behind the building. The building is handicapped accessible.

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