



INTRODUCE YOUR STUDENTS TO A PRIMARY SOURCE THEY CAN WALK AROUND IN!

UNCLE SAM WORKED HERE, A PERMANENT EXHIBIT FUNDED BY THE NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES, EXPLORES THE HISTORY OF LANDMARK CENTER WHEN IT WAS THE FEDERAL BUILDING IN DOWNTOWN ST. PAUL. THE EXHIBIT COVERS THE TIME FROM THE BUILDING'S CONSTRUCTION IN 1900 UNTIL IT WAS DECOMMISSIONED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN THE 1960S.

GUIDED SCHOOL TOURS ARE AVAILABLE!



**ONE - HOUR FIELD TRIP (WITH 45 - MINUTE GUIDED TOUR + Q&A)
CLASS SIZE: 20 - 25 STUDENTS; MORE WITH ADDITIONAL SUPERVISION
EASY ACCESS ON PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION
SCHOOL BUS COST SUPPORT ON FIRST-COME, FIRST SERVE BASIS**

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A FRESH APPROACH TO SOCIAL STUDIES & CIVICS WITH **UNCLE SAM** WORKED HERE:

1ST & 2ND GRADERS:

CITIZENSHIP:

Federal role in turning immigration into

CITIZENS

COMMUNITY STORIES:

- ★ Post office & its role in the **COMMUNITY**
- ★ **VOLUNTEERS** worked together to save the Building
- ★ The **JOB** of architect Edward Barber designing state park building
- ★ The **STORY** of young Alberta Kirchner Hill, growing up on her father's riverboat
- ★ **ST. PAUL NATIVE** Harry Blackmun's rise from clerk to U.S. Supreme Court Justice

3RD & 4TH GRADERS:

HISTORICAL TIMELINES:

A **TIMELINE** of events in the building and the world in the 20th century

AMERICAN LAWS & SYMBOLS:

Federal courtrooms & the **SYMBOLS** they embody in the building's ornate, ceremonial spaces

FIRST-HAND ACCOUNTS OF PEOPLE FROM THE PAST:

- ★ The **DIARY** of James Shields, clerk for the U.S. Customhouse on the 2nd floor
- ★ **ORAL HISTORY** of Christine Costello and her immigrant's journey from Germany to the United States

5TH & 6TH GRADERS:

WESTWARD EXPANSION:

The role of U.S. Surveyor General's office in creating **HISTORICAL SURVEY MAPS** of Minnesota

MINNESOTA HISTORY:

The growth of the region and **TRANSPORTATION** and impact on St. Paul and surrounding areas

ST. PAUL & U.S. HISTORY:

ARCHITECTURE of 1900 Federal Building, the first Minnesota building on the National Register of Historic Places

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7TH & 8TH GRADERS:

U.S. AND MINNESOTA HISTORY:

Recording of the **ORAL HISTORY** of a Minnesota **IMMIGRANT** in the 1950s

THE GREAT DEPRESSION:

WPA ART CLASSES on the 5th floor

GEOGRAPHY:

MAPS created in the Surveyor General's office

HISTORY DAY:

A wide range of possible topics to consider:

NEW DEAL (National Park Service architect offices, Public Works Administration (PWA), and more!)

JAMES J. HILL (testimony for landmark Northern Securities anti-trust case on 2nd floor)

PROHIBITION (gangster trials, FBI & Andrew Volstead's offices)

WESTWARD EXPANSION (U.S. Surveyor General's frontier land surveys in Minnesota)

COMMERCE (U.S. Engineers & the dredging of the Mississippi River for cargo traffic in the early 1900s)

IMMIGRATION (citizenship oaths in courtrooms)

9TH & 10TH GRADERS:

U.S. AND MINNESOTA HISTORY:

NEW DEAL agencies in the building - from architect's offices to art classes!

URBANIZATION:

Public Works Administration (PWA) office that oversaw the construction of sewer lines and a water treatment plant in the 1930s to clean up the **MISSISSIPPI RIVER** and improve the Twin Cities' **ENVIRONMENT**.

ECONOMICS:

Historical perspective on **GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS** with excerpts from James J. Hill's deposition in the anti-trust Northern Securities case.

Examination of the federal government's New Deal response to the **ECONOMIC DEPRESSION** of the 1930s.

11TH & 12TH GRADERS:

AMERICAN GOVERNMENT:

Real examples of Prohibition-era trials that demonstrate the **BALANCE OF POWERS** among the three branches of government

WORLD WAR I:

Oral reenactment of trial for Rose Pastor Stokes, tried for treason in **WORLD WAR I**

IMMIGRATION:

Federal courts role in **IMMIGRANTS** becoming U.S. citizens