

Teacher Information Packet

Living History Programs for Schools & Homeschool Groups

Immersive Educational Experiences by Indian Creek Historical Fashions

Bring History to Life for Your Students

What if history wasn't something students simply read...

...but something they could **see, feel, and experience**?

Indian Creek Historical Fashions offers dynamic, immersive living history programs that transform traditional lessons into unforgettable educational experiences. Through storytelling, authentic historical clothing, audience interaction, and hands-on participation, students are transported into the past—where history becomes real, emotional, and deeply meaningful.

These are not passive presentations.
They are **experiences students remember for years**.

About the Presenter

Indian Creek Historical Fashions is led by a historical interpreter and storyteller dedicated to bringing the past to life through engaging, educational programming.

Each program is presented in historically accurate clothing, often created on a treadle sewing machine, and designed to immerse audiences in the sights, sounds, and realities of another time.

Programs are delivered in a powerful third-person storytelling format that connects past to present—helping students understand not just *what* happened, but *what it felt like* to live it.

Program Experience

Students are not just observers—they are participants.

Programs may include:

- Audience interaction and participation
- Live demonstrations of historical clothing and material culture
- Hands-on activities and challenges
- Decision-making scenarios
- Emotional storytelling and immersive moments
- Visual presentations and soundscapes

Each program is crafted to engage multiple learning styles and keep students fully involved from beginning to end.

Available Educational Programs

The Children's Blizzard of 1888

A powerful and emotional program that places students inside one of the most devastating winter storms in American history. Through storytelling, sound, and real accounts, students experience the decisions, dangers, and human impact of the storm.

Women Homesteaders & the Homestead Act

A moving and educational program exploring the lives of women who claimed land, built homes, and endured the harsh realities of frontier life.

Stake Your Claim: The Homestead Challenge

An interactive, team-based experience where students simulate land claims, resource management, and survival decisions on the frontier.

Day in the Life of a Homesteader

A hands-on rotation program where students complete real-world homestead challenges involving survival, labor, teamwork, and decision-making.

Valiant Warriorress: Women Soldiers of the Civil War

A fascinating look at women who served in the Civil War as soldiers, spies, nurses, and more—often in secrecy and under extraordinary circumstances.

Gone with the Width: Hoops, Bustles & the Drama of Victorian Dressing

A fun, interactive fashion history experience where students watch a live dressing demonstration and learn how clothing shaped daily life.

The Language of the Fan

An engaging and interactive program exploring Victorian communication, etiquette, and social expression through the use of fans.

Educational Value & Curriculum Connections

Programs are designed to support and enhance classroom learning.

Subjects Supported:

- American History
- Westward Expansion
- The Homestead Act
- Civil War History
- Women's History
- Nebraska & Great Plains History
- Weather and environmental science
- Cultural and social studies

Skills Developed:

- Critical thinking
- Problem-solving
- Teamwork and collaboration
- Listening and comprehension
- Historical empathy
- Public engagement

Flexible Program Options

Programs can be customized to meet your needs:

- Single classroom presentations
- Large group assemblies
- Rotating station experiences
- Half-day or full-day educational series
- Multi-program immersive learning days

Ideal for:

- Public and private schools
 - Homeschool groups and co-ops
 - Museums and historic sites
 - Libraries and community programs
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Grade Level Adaptability

Programs are designed to be flexible and engaging for:

Kindergarten through 12th Grade

Content, language, and challenge levels are adjusted to ensure age-appropriate learning while maintaining depth and engagement.

Grant & Funding Opportunities

Many schools and homeschool groups utilize grant funding and educational support programs to bring enrichment experiences to their students.

Indian Creek Historical Fashions provides:

- Curriculum-aligned educational programming
- Grant-friendly descriptions and learning objectives
- Documentation to support funding applications

Programs are well-suited for:

- Humanities funding opportunities
- Educational enrichment grants

- Museum and library programming budgets
 - Homeschool group funding initiatives
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Why Educators Choose Living History

- Students are fully engaged and attentive
- Learning becomes memorable and meaningful
- Complex topics are easier to understand
- Encourages participation from all learners
- Creates emotional connections to history

**Students don't just learn history—
they experience it.**

Booking Information

Programs are scheduled based on availability and customized to your group's needs.

To request pricing, availability, or a customized educational experience:

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Where History Comes to Life

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History was never meant to sit quietly behind glass.

**Bring it to life in your classroom, your school, or your community—
and give your students an experience they will never forget.**