Willamette Heritage Center Announces
Teen Interpreter Program (TIP)
June 21 - August 27

WHAT: Teen Interpreter Program (TIP)
WHERE: Willamette Heritage Center at The Mill, 1313 Mill Street SE, Salem, OR, 97301
WHEN: Orientation: June 18 - 21 from 10:00 am - 2:30 pm
Program Runs: June 21 - August 27
Applications are due by 5 pm, June 8
COST: FREE
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Are you a teen who is 14 years of age or older with a flair for acting, a passion for history and a desire to get involved in your community?

Travel back through time this summer with the Teen Interpreter Program (TIP) at the Willamette Heritage Center.

TIP participants don’t just learn about history, they become history, stepping into the shoes of the people who lived and worked in the historic museum buildings. Through research and a little imagination, participants dress in period clothing, demonstrate past activities and re-enact historic events in the character of a real person living the Salem area between 1834 and 1962.

Students also learn crafts and play games from the past two centuries and share what they learn with museum visitors. And while they’re having a great time with other teens, they’ll be learning valuable communication and research skills, increasing their understanding of Oregon’s history, and gaining valuable work experience.

To be eligible, students must be 14 years of age or older and must attend four day training sessions on June 18 to August 27 from 10:00 am to 2:30 pm. Space is limited to 15 applicants. Applications are available online: http://www.willametteheritage.org/events_and_programs.html or at the WHC office.

The Willamette Heritage Center at The Mill, a unification between Mission Mill Museum and Marion County Historical Society, is a stroll through the history of the Willamette Valley. Its 5-acre campus is home to the 1841 Jason Lee house (arguably the oldest wooden framed house in Oregon), 1841 Willamette Mission Parsonage, 1847 John Boon home, 1858 Pleasant Grove Church and the 1896 Thomas Kay Woolen Mill, named an American Treasure by the National Park Service. Since its founding in 1964 as a private non-profit association, Mission Mill Museum has established a reputation as a leader in the preservation and interpretation of Oregon’s history. The museum’s histories are shared with visitors through daily and group tours, speakers, living history, children’s programs, hands-on activities, special events, the museum store and rental facilities. For more information call 503-585-7012 or visit www.willametteheritage.org.

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