



The Old Capitol Museum

Events and Exhibits • 2015

- Through Jan 10, 2016** **Historic Document Display**
On display for 2015 in the Chancery Court is an 1865 letter from Governor Humphreys to the Mississippi Legislature outlining what would become the foundation of the Mississippi Black Codes.
- Through Oct 4** **Luminaries & Legends: Hall of Fame Spotlight—Ellen Woodward**
Ellen S. Woodward became the second woman to serve in the Mississippi Legislature when she was elected to complete her deceased husband's term in 1925. She was selected by President Franklin D. Roosevelt to serve as administrator of the Works Progress Administration in 1935.
- Through Nov 15** **Mississippi Modern Architecture**
Featuring photographs taken by Mississippi State University architecture students, this exhibit highlights unique modernist architecture from around the state. A response to new technologies like structural concrete, steel, and glass, Modernist architecture arose in Europe in the early twentieth century and spread to the United States by the 1930s. Emphasizing volume, geometry, and exposed structure, it was popular in Mississippi from the 1930s through the 1970s.
- Oct 1–Nov 1** **The Mummy Returns**
The famous "Mummy" returns again to greet her adoring fans during the month of October.
- Oct 6–Jan 3, 2016** **Luminaries & Legends: Hall of Fame Spotlight—William Faulkner**
Nobel Prize-winning author William Faulkner provided the world with some of the greatest writings in American literature, notably *The Sound and the Fury*, *Absalom, Absalom*, and *As I Lay Dying*.
- October 8** **Old Capitol Bowl** 9am–noon
Teams from selected high schools compete in a scholar's bowl contest. This day-long quiz competition will test students' knowledge of government and Mississippi history as teams compete to become Old Capitol Bowl champions. Registration is required.
- October 24** **Mississippi Archaeology Expo** 10am–4pm
As part of Archaeology Month, the annual Mississippi Archaeology Expo will be held on the Old Capitol Green and feature activities for all ages. Archaeologists will conduct a mock archaeological dig, and visitors can observe flintknapping, and artifact displays, and ground-penetrating radar demonstrations. Other highlights include face painting, bracelet making, pendant coloring, ceramic making, and atlatl throwing. For more information, call 601-576-6944.
- October 29** **Promote the Vote** 10am–noon
Election results are announced from the Secretary of State's kindergarten–twelfth grade voting program. For more information, contact the Secretary of State's office at 601-359-6346.
- October 29** **Present Meets Past** 5–8pm
Meet with key figures who helped shape the history of the Old Capitol and Mississippi. Interact with characters from the building of the Old Capitol in 1839 to those who were a part of the building's more modern lives.
- November 5** **MCSS Fall Conference and Reception at the Old Capitol** 8am–3pm
The Mississippi Council for the Social Studies' annual conference will focus on "Social Studies in Mississippi: College, Career, and Civic Life" and include field trips to Jackson-area historic sites. For more information, check out <http://mcss.org.msstate.edu/>.
- November 6** **Teacher Workshop** 8am–3pm
Depression Era—Post War is the theme for this year's annual Social Studies Teacher Workshop at the Old Capitol Museum. 0.5 CEU credit is available through Mississippi College. For more information, call 601-576-6800.