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CELEBRATE DETROIT'S 314TH BIRTHDAY AT THE DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM

DETROIT- Join the **Detroit Historical Society** and the **Detroit 313 Society** in a two-day celebration of Detroit's 314th Birthday **Thursday, July 23** and **Friday, July 24** at the **Detroit Historical Museum**.

The festivities start on Thursday at **1 p.m.** with the "**Cars That Made Detroit**" **Classic Car Show** featuring a variety of vintage vehicles along Kirby Street. At **6 p.m.**, join the Detroit 313 Society for the official birthday party featuring food trucks, drinks and music on *Legends Plaza* and along Kirby. Featured food trucks include **Treat Dreams**, **El Guapo Mexican Grill** and **The Mean Weenie**. **Atwater Brewery** will also be there serving \$2 beers while supplies last.

Advance tickets are \$5 for Society members and \$10 for guests and are available for purchase online at detroithistorical.org. Tickets will also be available at the event. Please note that Kirby Street and the museum parking lot will be closed for this event. Alternative parking information will be provided online. For questions, please contact Jennifer DeWall at **313.833.4143** or jenniferd@detroithistorical.org.

On Friday, remember the actual anniversary of Detroit's founding by Antoine de la Mothe Cadillac with a day dedicated to the city's great history! The day starts at **10 a.m.** with a presentation some of the city's earliest citizens, including those who lived at Fort Pontchartrain du Détroit, the beginnings of modern Detroit.

At **11 a.m.** and **1 p.m.**, docents in our *Frontiers to Factories* exhibit will share stories of the French and Native Americans in Detroit in the 1700s that illustrate the early struggles and successes of the new settlement. Finally, at **noon**, join renowned storyteller **Ivory D. Williams** as he recounts stories of his experiences growing up in 20th century Detroit in his special presentation, "**The Good Ol' Days!**"

The **Detroit Historical Museum**, located at 5401 Woodward Ave. (NW corner of Kirby) in Midtown Detroit, is open to the public Tuesday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free for all, all the time. Parking in the Museum's lot is \$6 at all times. Group tour pricing and information is available by calling 313.833.7979. Permanent exhibits include the famous *Streets of Old Detroit*, the *Allesee Gallery of Culture*, *Kid Rock Music Lab*, *Doorway to Freedom: Detroit and the Underground Railroad*, *Detroit: The "Arsenal of Democracy,"* the *Gallery of Innovation*, *Frontiers to Factories*, *America's Motor City*, and *The Glancy Trains*. For more information, call the Museum at 313.833.1805 or check out our website at detroithistorical.org.

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