

2022

This summer join your neighbors at the

Hadley Mill Museum

3633 S. Hadley Road



Hadley Mill Museum

Always FREE Admission

The Hadley Mill that stands today as a prominent landmark in Hadley was built about 1874 and was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1986. It is the third mill erected on this site. Now it is a Museum and visitors can explore three floors of agricultural and domestic artifacts from Hadley and Elba Townships' past and watch a demonstration of the engine that used to operate the Mill.

The Mill Museum is situated in the lovely Hartwig Park where a covered bridge crosses Mill Creek and leads to a picnic pavilion. It is located at 3633 S. Hadley Road and is managed by the Hadley Township Historical Society.

In 2022 the Museum will be open June 18, July 4, August 13 and September 17 as listed below. However the Museum can be opened by special arrangement for private groups or individuals. Please email HadleyHistorical@gmail.com or call 810-797-4026.

To keep up with our events and programs go to Facebook: Hadley Township Historical Society or [HadleyHistorical.Eventbrite.com](https://www.Eventbrite.com).

A Visit from Mrs. Lincoln

Evening Program at Hadley Township Offices

Thursday August 4 7:00 pm Doors open at 6:30 pm

Mrs. President Abraham Lincoln will be visiting to tell about her "Early Years". Discover her years from childhood, courtship, marriage, and politics leading to Lincoln's presidential election. The program will be presented by Pam Dawson, a storyteller from Milford MI, who fascinates audiences by making history come alive.

At the Hadley Township Office Board Room at 4293 Pratt Road. Doors open at 6:30; talk is from 7:00 to about 8:30pm. Open to all ages including children. No admission fee. Donations appreciated. Pre-registration is not required but we'd love to know if you plan to attend at [HadleyHistorical.Eventbrite.com](https://www.Eventbrite.com).

Vernor's ice cream floats will be served!

New Event!

Cars and Quilts

Saturday August 13 9:00 - 3:00

There will something for everyone at the Hadley Mill Museum on Saturday August 13 from 9:00 to 3:00! Cars and Quilts galore!

The Pontiac Car Club and other local enthusiasts will displaying their antique and classic cars. New to the Museum is a 1923 Jewett automobile on loan from the Stahls Automotive Foundation. And be sure to see the old turbine and other mechanical workings that once ran the Mill. Those who wish to exhibit their autos or farm equipment may call Gary at 810-797-4302 to arrange for space, also at no charge.

A collection of new and vintage quilts will be on display across the street at the Hadley Community Church. Don't miss the Community Quilt that was created last year at the Farm Hop! Visitors can also explore the three floors of the Museum which are full of agricultural and domestic artifacts from Hadley Township's past.

No admission fee. Donations appreciated. Hadley themed merchandise including t-shirts, sweatshirts, mugs and tote bags will be for sale.

One Room School Houses

Evening Program at Hadley Township Offices

Thursday September 1 7:00 pm Doors open at 6:30 pm

American schools, especially in rural areas, began with the one-room school. Take a step back in time as if you were considering opening one in Hadley Township with storyteller Lois speaking as an experienced teacher in those schools to explain what is involved.

This is one of many lively historical reenactments offered by Michigan storyteller, Lois Sprengnether Keel (Lois). She has been delighting audiences with stories of Michigan and American history since 1970 and especially enjoys bringing history of the "average" person to life. With a background as a librarian her presentations are well researched and her background in theater keeps the programs lively for groups of all ages and sizes. Lois has been in the MI Arts & Humanities Touring Directory since 2004 and serves as the Michigan liaison for the National Storytelling Network.

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New Event!

Pork & Plaid BBQ

Hadley Homestead Harvest Days - Kick-off Event

Friday September 16 5:00 - 8:00

New this year is the PORK & PLAID BBQ to kick-off Homestead Harvest Days. This is a free community event. Have fun in Hadley and meet your neighbors!

- Food: BBQ Pig Roast & Pie Eatin' Contest
- Entertainment: Live Music - Pig Races - Museum Open
- If still available tickets for the Farm Hop will be sold.
- Wear Plaid
- Bring lawn chairs or a blanket

Held at Hartwig Park and the Hadley Mill Museum. 5-8 pm. Donations appreciated.

Hadley Homestead Harvest Day - Farm Hop & Festival

Saturday September 17 10:00 - 5:00

Second Year!

New FARM HOP STOPS this year!

The **FARM HOP** is designed for families, history buffs and those who simply want to revisit old America.

Equipped with a map, guests on this self-guided tour will enjoy an engaging perspective of six area properties integral to the agricultural heritage of the Hadley area. Highlights include a scavenger hunt and demonstrations. Come and get an up-close look at the local farms and historical sites that hold stories of this community's past.

Begin your self-driven FARM HOP tour between 10:00 am to 2:00 pm from the Hadley Mill Museum or the FESTIVAL at Le Fleur Décor both in Hadley MI. Start at either location to purchase tickets, get maps and obtain rules for the scavenger hunt. The FARM HOP STOPS (venues) close at 4:00 pm. The scavenger hunt check-out closes at 5pm at the Mill Museum or the Festival.

The **FESTIVAL** will be at Le Fleur Décor at 3442 Hadley Road, Hadley and includes Antiques, Plants, Art Fair, Music, Food and More. 10:00 to 5:00. Admission is free. Look there for the Historical Society booth to purchase tickets for the FARM HOP.

The **HADLEY MILL MUSEUM** will be open from 10:00 to 5:00. Admission is free.

FARM HOP TICKETS for the self-guided tour are \$20.00 per car regardless of the number of passengers. The number of tickets is limited so purchasing in advance is advised. A list of options for purchasing tickets in advance follows below. On the day of the event, tickets will be sold at the HADLEY MILL MUSEUM or The FESTIVAL at Le Fleur Décor from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Members of the Hadley Township Historical Society may purchase tickets for \$10 per car at the Mill Museum on the day of the event or at other Historical Society events.

Advance TICKET sales will be available after Aug 1 at:

- [HadleyHistorical.Eventbrite.com](https://www.Eventbrite.com) - small fee charged
- Hadley Township Historical Society Events - see [HadleyHistorical.Eventbrite.com](https://www.Eventbrite.com)
- The Pork & Plaid Kick-off
- These local businesses: *The Parlour, Le Fleur Décor, Hadley Township Offices, Metamora Market, Cottage Used Books*

SPECIAL OFFER: The first 150 FARM HOP tickets purchased will receive two (2) complimentary Bar-B-Q meals at the PORK & PLAID KICK-OFF to be held Friday September 16 from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Hadley Mill Museum.

Net proceeds go to Hadley Township Historical Society community projects. No refunds. Rain or Shine.

Mrs. Lincoln Returns

Evening Program at Hadley Township Offices

Thursday October 6 7:00 pm Doors open at 6:30 pm

Mrs. President Abraham Lincoln will be returning to tell about her "White House Years". The program will be presented by Pam Dawson, a storyteller from Milford MI, who fascinates audiences by making history come alive. This time, we will learn about Mary Todd Lincoln's years in The White House as President Lincoln's First Lady.

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CONTACT US :

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Event Info / Pre-registration / Purchase Tickets: [HadleyHistorical.Eventbrite.com](https://www.Eventbrite.com)

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