



A message to *History News* Reviewers, Contributors and Enthusiasts,

History News exists to foster publication, scholarly research, and an open forum for discussion of best practices, applicable theories, and professional experiences pertinent to the field of state and local history.

Article manuscripts dealing with all aspects of public history are welcome, including current trends, timely issues, and best practices for professional development and the overall improvement of the history field. The editorial committee is especially interested in articles that give a fresh perspective to traditional theories, in-depth case studies that reveal applicable and relevant concepts, and subject matter that has the ability to resonate throughout all levels of the field.

Volunteer editors review all proposals for relevance and timeliness to the field. Articles should be 2,500-3,000 words in length. *History News* employs a double-blind review process.

History News is a quarterly membership publication of the American Association for State and Local History, a nonprofit educational membership organization providing leadership, service, and support for its members who preserve and interpret state and local history in order to make the past more meaningful in American society.

Below is the schedule for *History News* submissions.

Draft Due Date*	Review Returned+	Final Submission Date	<i>History News</i> issue
August 20	September 30	November 1	Winter
November 15	December 20	February 1	Spring
February 20	March 31	May 1	Summer
May 20	June 30	August 1	Autumn

**This should not be your rough (or first) draft, but an article already fully vetted by your own peers and contacts.*

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Reviewers will utilize the review sheet below:

Article Review Sheet for Submissions to *History News*

Article Title:

Please rate each of the statements below using the following numbers and add comments to the right.

- 1 = fully agree
- 2 = somewhat agree
- 3 = somewhat disagree
- 4 = completely disagree
- 5 = Not applicable

Title	Rating	Comments
1. The article is of a publishable and coherent quality (format, style, structure, grammar, flow, etc.)		
2. The article makes a significant contribution in the area of the “current trends, timely issues, and best practices for professional development and the overall improvement of the field of state and local history.”		
3. The article is well-written and an interesting read.		
4. Do you consider the subject applicable? Does it have the potential to resonate throughout the field?		
5. Does the article give a fresh perspective to traditional ideas? Was there effective use of available resources?		
6. If there is a scholarly intent in the article, was the author free of subjective opinions, assumptions, and conclusions that cannot reasonably be supported by the objective use of available sources?		
7. The content crosses several categories and is applicable to more than one area of the history field.		
8. I recommend inclusion of this article in <i>History News</i> , as long as the above observations and concerns (if any) are addressed and corrected.		

Additional Comments:

Article strengths, weaknesses, areas needing improvement, etc.

If the article is not appropriate for *History News*, what publications would you recommend?